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Today's Local Headlines

Industry Takes The Lead

HONGKONG has had more than a fair share of scorchers in its brief history. When it was founded in 1842, one of the first Government officials to be appointed resigned in disgust after a brief stay. It would never last, he said. The traders at Canton joined in the ridicule. But somehow Hongkong stuck. Times have changed but the scorching continues. Who in Hongkong believed in 1945 there was a secure and prosperous future ahead? Who, after the sensational collapse of the trade boom in 1951, believed we would weather the storm, or survive the advent of Communism and the influx of refugees?

We derive a perverse pleasure in proving our critics wrong. When the China trade ended in 1951 our newly-established industry stepped into the breach, saved us from bankruptcy. But the scorching was not over. The critics were annoyed as the volume of our exports rose. We were said to lack the capacity, the capital, the know-how and the raw materials to become an industrial state.

RIDICULE became vilification. Japan was credited with our success. Allegedly we switched country of origin labels as their exports passed through, copied designs, and swindled labour. But incredulity turned into belief that Hongkong was making it, as visitors saw for themselves the transformation taking place in the Colony, and the figures of locally-produced goods climbed higher and higher.

The proud news which is told on our back page today is that industry has taken over from trade as the main economic function of Hongkong. The point Hongkong needs to grasp now is that we have switched horses in a way that while we still retain a substantial place in the world economy, we are no longer a colony.

Being so fully committed we cannot be satisfied with anything less than keeping industry a way out in front. THIS does not, of course, imply neglecting trade. For our export drive is today more important than ever if we are to sell to the world what we now make ourselves. It will mean in the years ahead that enterprise will take a far smaller share of the total trade than in the past, as the January figures already show. But its importance—indeed the importance of any real or potential source of income to this Colony—requires that it be given every encouragement.

So the fact that industry today is foremost in our economic thinking means only that we devote greater attention to the problems that its rapid, almost fantastic growth has brought about, without neglecting in any way our traditional role as a merchant city.

Mr George Marden spoke in yesterday's China Mail of the scorchers and detractors. He spoke too of his own experience and success, and went on to predict a bright future for Hongkong. It is a future the Colony deserves. Self-help has been the outstanding feature of our present success. Unaided we may with our new industrial prosperity solve the worst and most formidable economic difficulties in our midst.

Non-Aggression Pact Acceptable But...

Moscow, Feb. 24. British delegation sources said here tonight that they would gladly accept a treaty of friendship and non-aggression with the Soviet Union—as suggested in a speech earlier today by Mr Khrushchev—provided this formed a part of some wider easing of tension between East and West.

Mr Khrushchev made his proposal in a speech while Mr Harold Macmillan was visiting Dubna, the Soviet atom town outside Moscow.

Await Formal Reply

As for the Russian proposal for a summit conference it was felt that Britain should await the formal Soviet reply to the latest Western proposals for a foreign ministers' conference before deciding its attitude.

The British Government was unlikely to give any official reaction to Mr Khrushchev's speech before it had

RUSSIA'S FEAR

Moscow, Feb. 24.

Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev and other Soviet leaders who have participated in British-Soviet talks here are obsessed by the fear that a reunited and rearmament Germany will join the Western camp, members of the British delegation revealed today.

The sources indicated that their impression, after two days of talks with the Soviet leaders, was that this was the main reason for Soviet opposition to Western proposals concerning Germany.—France-Press.

consulted its Allies. Though the sources did not say so, it was assumed that a 20- or 50-year non-aggression pact by itself would be unacceptable.

According to British sources Mr Khrushchev had made no formal proposal for a non-aggression pact during his talks so far with Mr Macmillan.

Not A Rebuff

British sources in Moscow tonight said they did not consider Mr Khrushchev's speech a rebuff to the British Government delegation.

In British quarters it was stated that the content of what Mr Khrushchev said in his speech was along the lines of what had emerged during the private talks so far between the British and Soviet Prime Ministers.—Reuter.

No Safe Conduct Pass For Burgess

London, Feb. 24.

The British Government has no intention of providing a safe conduct pass to permit Guy Burgess, to visit Britain and then return to the Soviet Union, authoritative circles said here today.

Burgess, who has been in the Soviet Union for almost eight years following a sensational disappearance from Britain, had told British journalists in Moscow covering the visit of Prime Minister, Harold Macmillan, that he wished to return to his homeland, particularly to see his mother, who is more than 70 years old and in ill health.

Against Law

The circles pointed out that safe conduct of this sort would not normally be granted, and that, in the case of a British expatriate providing such a pass would be against the law.

Burgess as a British citizen, it was noted, has the right to re-enter Britain even without a passport. The authorities were reminding tight-lipped as to whether Burgess on landing in Britain would be held in custody. The circles pointed out, however, that no legal proceedings had ever been instituted against Burgess.—France-Press.

STRAIN BEGINNING TO TELL ON BRITISH PRIME MINISTER

MACMILLAN RECOVERS

United Kingdom Decides To End Conscription

London, Feb. 24.

The Defence Minister, Mr Duncan Sandys, will announce in the House of Commons tomorrow that the Government has decided not to call up the next group of National Servicemen, thus practically ending military service in England.

Rumanian Officials Arrested By Govt

Vienna, Feb. 24.

More than 50 officials of the Rumanian Ministry of Interior have been seized and arrested for permitting Communists to escape the country.

For the past six months Rumanian Jews have been receiving migration papers from the Rumanian authorities to go to new permanent homes in Israel. Some 8,000 have passed through Vienna.

Bribes

A Rumanian physician told United Press International today that more than 50 officials of the Rumanian Ministry of Interior were detained earlier this month for receiving bribes to supply non-Jews with Jewish migration documents.

He said that more than 200 Rumanian Jews have reached freedom through these illegal channels.

The latest arrests are in addition to four ministry officials who had been reported taken into custody yesterday on similar charges.—U.P.I.

EDENS GOING BACK TO UK

New York, Feb. 24.

Sir Anthony Eden, former British Prime Minister and Lady Eden, will leave here for home in the Queen Elizabeth on Saturday. It was announced here today.—Reuter.

Official Guest

Bangkok, Feb. 24.

The Cabinet has decided that Mr Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary-General of the United Nations, who is scheduled to arrive here on March 6, should be treated as an official guest.—Reuter.

Chevalier



Planning For Next 30 Years

New York, Feb. 24. Maurice Chevalier, 70-year-old French singer who made his singing debut in 1900, was quoted by Newsweek magazine today as saying: "In a few years I will stop my solo singing engagements. I have great hopes for myself as a dramatic actor."

Billy Wilder, who has directed Chevalier in Hollywood films, said of him: "He is oblivious to the fact that everyone is mortal. He's making plans for 30 years from now."

Chevalier told Newsweek that his ambition was still to become a little better every day. "I want the end to be perfect," he said.—Reuter.

Erhard Nominated For Presidency

Bonn, Feb. 24.

The West German Vice-Chancellor and Economics Minister, Ludwig Erhard, has been nominated as a candidate for the Presidency of the Federal Republic.

A spokesman for the Christian Democrats—Dr Erhard's party—said Erhard (62) accepted the nomination.

ACCEPTED

The spokesman said Dr Erhard accepted his nomination in a telephone conversation with Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

The announcement came after a two-hour meeting between Chancellor Adenauer and 12 leaders of his Christian Democratic Union, called to choose a presidential candidate. Dr Erhard is regarded as the builder of West Germany's booming economy.

LITTLE AUTHORITY

If he is elected president, he will have to resign from his party. Furthermore, under the constitution, he will have very little authority, which is, indeed, mostly in the office of Chancellor.

Presidential elections are to be held in West Berlin on July 1.—U.P.I.

Temporarily Overcome By Heat

Moscow, Feb. 24.

The strain of Mr Harold Macmillan's visit to Russia is beginning to tell on him.

Today—the day when Soviet First Vice-Premier Anastas Mikoyan told reporters that the exploratory part of the talks were over and that "we shall now begin the constructive part"—Mr Macmillan had to rest during a British Embassy reception.

Felt Unwell

During the reception which was attended by the Soviet Premier, Nikita Khrushchev, Mr Macmillan felt unwell and retired to the UK Ambassador's study for 20 minutes.

A spokesman with the British delegation in Moscow said the Prime Minister had recovered tonight after being temporarily overcome by the heat during the Embassy reception.

Hectic Day

The spokesman said, "The Prime Minister felt the heat rather badly. He went and sat down in a room quietly for about 20 minutes and returned at the end of the party. It's been a rather hectic day for him today and he was quite tired."

The spokesman said Mr Macmillan had not required the services of a doctor.

The Prime Minister later drove from Moscow to a dacha put at his disposal by the Soviet Government at Uspenskoye, half an hour's drive from the capital. He will have further talks with Mr Khrushchev here tomorrow.

Asked if the Prime Minister's indisposition could be attributed to the heat, the spokesman said: "The Prime Minister later drove from Moscow to a dacha put at his disposal by the Soviet Government at Uspenskoye, half an hour's drive from the capital. He will have further talks with Mr Khrushchev here tomorrow."

American Wheat 'Not Radioactive'

Washington, Feb. 24.

Dr Charles Durham, head of the biology and medicine section of the Federal Atomic Energy Commission, said here today that British Labour Members of Parliament, Kenneth Zillman, had said that American wheat was contaminated by nuclear fallout, were unfounded.

Zillman had said that British should buy no American wheat on the grounds that it was contaminated by atomic fallout. He said that American wheat was contaminated by nuclear fallout, were unfounded.

WILL WRITTEN ON CHRISTMAS CARD

Edinburgh, Feb. 24.

A will written on the back of a Christmas card by a former manager of a Scottish football club was held to be valid in the Edinburgh court of session today.

MAKARIOS APPEAL TO EOKA

London, Feb. 24.

Greek Cypriot spiritual leader, Archbishop Makarios today, appealed to the Greek Cypriot underground EOKA organisation to cease its activities since peace had come to Cyprus, the Daily Herald reported.

Makarios said in an exclusive interview with the Labour paper that he was convinced his appeal would be heard.—France-Press.

HOMESICK WAR BRIDE LEAVES HUSBAND

Abington, Mass., Feb. 24. The California authorities were alerted today to watch for a missing Japanese war bride who apparently became so homesick she could wait no longer to visit her native land.

Carderella said that he and his wife had not argued, but he knew she was homesick. He said she was to have started a three-month holiday in his

home, Kagoshima, Japan, in March, but apparently would not wait. Fallos noted the woman is a 25-year-old blond who is well known as being a one-way ticket to Los Angeles. The Carderellas were married at the American Consulate in Yokohama in 1951.—U.P.I.

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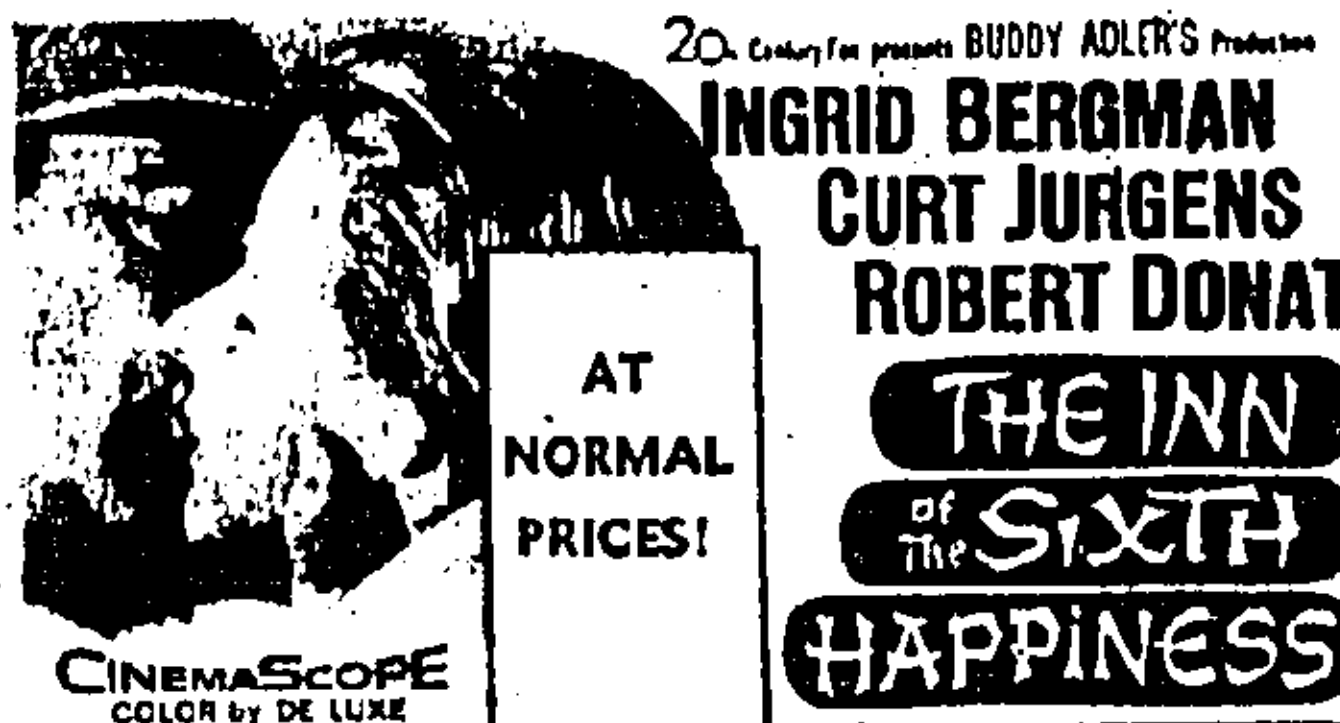
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U.S. Oil City Is Sinking Into Sea

Long Beach, Cal., Feb. 24.

A crash programme is underway to keep this coastal city from becoming another Atlantis. Alarm first was expressed 20 years ago when the City's Engineering Department began taking measurements and found some sections of a bowl 8-10 miles long and 2-4 miles wide was sinking into the sea.

Abdication Speech For Re-Broadcast

London, Feb. 25. One of the most moving and dramatic speeches ever broadcast in Britain will be heard again tonight — 22 years after it was made.

It is the abdication speech of King Edward the Eighth, now the Duke of Windsor.

The record of the speech is to be included in a B.B.C. programme entitled "Seraphim for 1936."

The B.B.C. has been in touch with Buckingham Palace — "as a question of good taste more than for permission" a spokesman said.

The speech finishes: "Now we all have a new king. I wish him and you, his people, happiness and prosperity with all my heart. God bless you all. God Save the King." — China Mail Special.

The subsidence rate ranges from a few inches to a foot or more a year, according to readings taken each August.

Extraction of oil sands, gas, salt water and hydrocarbons since 1936 from what is said to be one of America's richest fields, is blamed for the subsidence.

Some 600 million barrels of oil have been pumped from the area since the first wells were sunk at Wilmington and Terminal Island in December of 1936.

Sea Water

A programme of repressurisation was started by the city in 1953.

Injection wells were drilled to pump sea water into the underground basins.

Private firms including oil companies have joined in the effort and there now are 38 wells pumping more than 200,000 barrels a day into the field.

Major oil producers are planning to invest 60 million dollars into a repressurisation network of miles and miles of pipeline and another 200 water wells in the egg-shaped field.

The crash programme was advanced by a recent Federal Government injunction which sought closure of the oil field and a U.S. Navy threat to abandon its 175 million-dollar shipyard here.

Federal Judge Harry C. Westover will hear views of experts late this month on whether removal of oil is causing the subsidence. — U.P.I.

New Ford Models

London, Feb. 25.

The Ford Motor Company today announced new versions of its Consul Zephyr and Zodiac models, introduced just three years ago.

Mechanically, the cars are unchanged but the roof-line has been lowered and minor styling changes made to the interior and exterior appearance.

Prices remain the same since the six-seater Consul and Zephyrs were introduced in 1956. A total of 340,000 of the cars have been sold, more than half of them overseas. — China Mail Special.

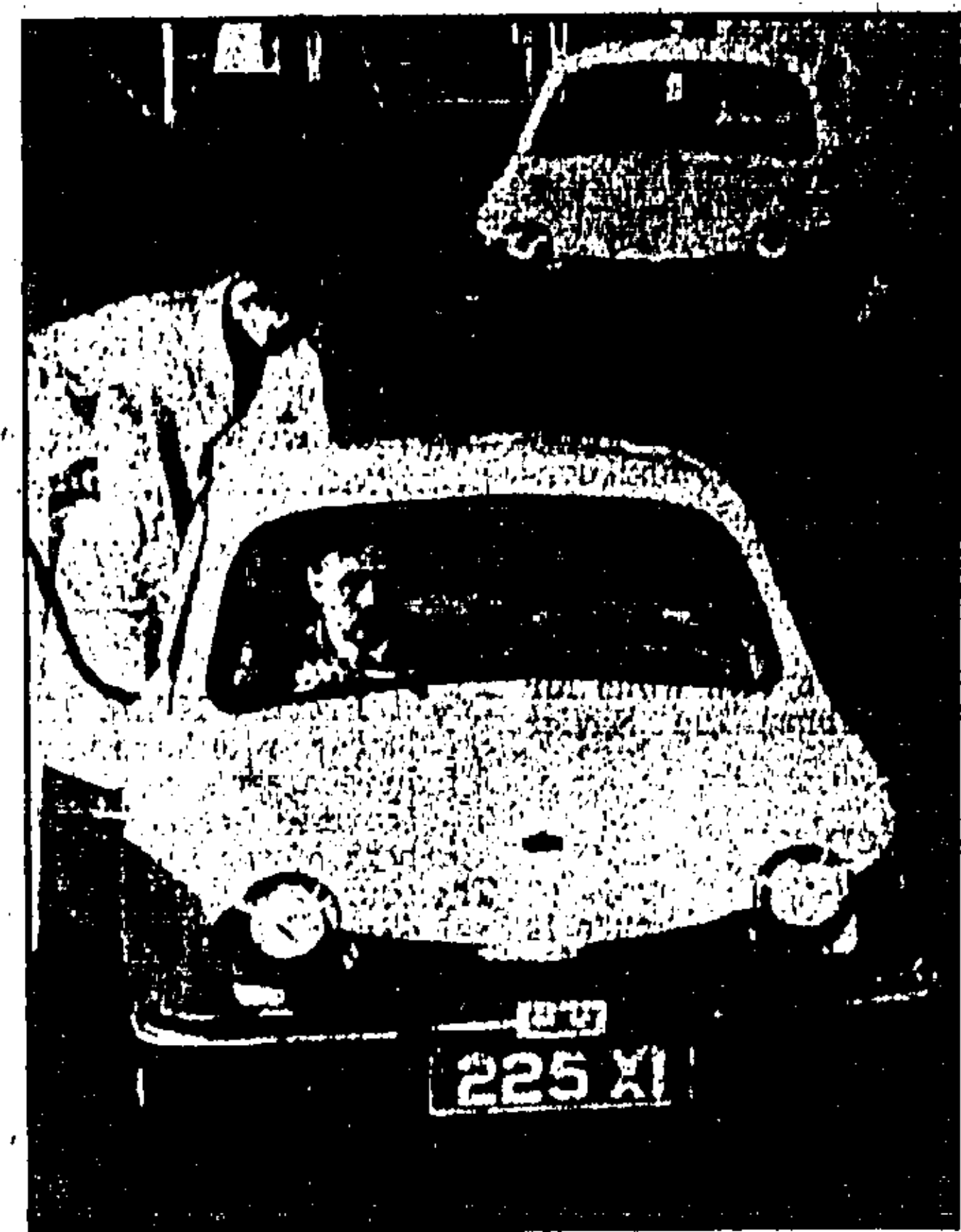
No Worry

Chicago, Feb. 24.

The Iola Club is celebrating its eighth year remembering the forgotten in hospitals and institutions, but it is not worried about its future.

The club's name stands for "Mrs. Malva Andre, founder of the club, says the name Iola 'doesn't stand for anything.' 'It's just a pretty name we thought of,' she said. — U.P.I.

Newest Baby



Off the assembly line at a Belfast aircraft works last week came the prototype of a new British baby car, the Noble.

The Noble, with a fibreglass body and a German engine, is priced at £289 — Britain's cheapest.

The car is built by York Noble Industries Ltd., whose chairman is marquis Cyril Lord.

The prototype is a three-wheeler, though later there will be four-wheeled versions as well. The prototype is now undergoing road tests. — Express Photo.

Troops Turn Out To Quell Nyasaland Riots

Blantyre, Feb. 24.

Troops of the King's African Rifles opened fire on rioting mobs today in the market area of Lilongwe, in Southern Nyasaland.

A Government statement said there were two casualties, but it did not say whether they were fatal.

At the same time, planes of the Royal Rhodesia Air Force dropped tear gas canisters on Africans at the request of police.

It was the first time military forces have been used in the present Nyasaland disturbances, which began a week ago.

In Salisbury, more than 700 officers and men of the First Battalion of the Royal Rhodesia Regiment, moved out of the city today in convoy to a Federal defence camp and training ground at Inkomo, 20 miles to the north.

All but a few regular army officers were territorialists.

Police Fail

Troops were called in when police baton charges failed to disperse a crowd gathered in the market area. The African troops later cleared the streets.

Apart from the tear gas dropped from the air, police also used tear gas shells to disperse roving mobs.

Cars were stoned in the town.

Stoned

Sixty Africans mobbed and stoned the Balaka railway station. Five Africans, including a woman, were arrested.

An official statement tonight said that the dispersal of security forces to deal with the disturbances of the past few days was complete and "the situation has now been contained."

It said the forces were ready to deal with any outbreaks of lawlessness and violence.

Later reports from Lilongwe said one African was killed and two others injured. One of the injured was held by police, the other escaped. — Reuter.

Exasperation

Frankfurt, Feb. 24.

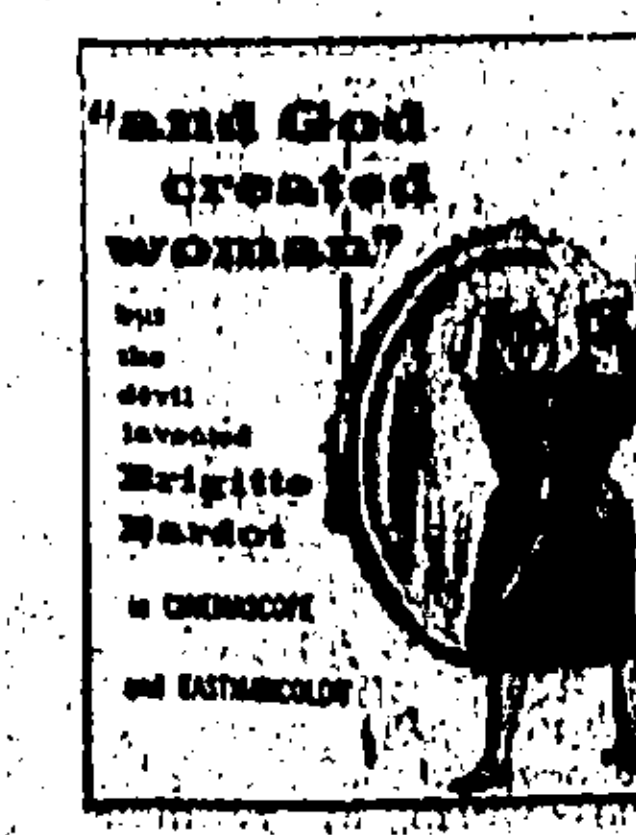
The following advertisement appeared in yesterday's editions of the newspaper Volksbeobachter: "Television set, slightly damaged by blow of the fist, to sell cheap." — U.P.I.

The Marquess Heaved Coal

A marquess with a castle, a number of mansions and head of one of Scotland's richest landowning families told the House of Lords last night how he once had a job heaving coal as a fireman on a railway locomotive.

STATE

TO-DAY
At 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 & 9.30 p.m.



The Marquess of Allenby, Archibald David Kennedy, satisfied many a boy's longing to be on the footplate soon after he was demobilised from the Scots Guards in 1947.

He told his fellow peers last night during a debate on the British railways: "I was born with an itch to be an engine driver and I had the privilege to work in the Motive Power Department of British Railways and graduated to what was called a special fireman."

His wife, the Marchioness of Allenby, a miner's daughter whom he married in 1954, said at their home in Ayrshire later that her husband now satisfied his interest in a more orthodox way — with a model railway. — China Mail Special.

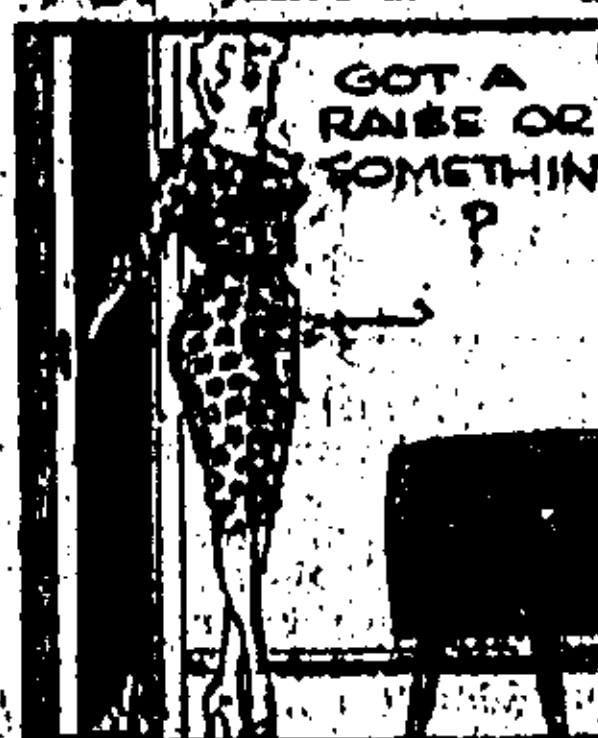
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He earned his keep by the sweat of his brow heaving coal into a furnace in an

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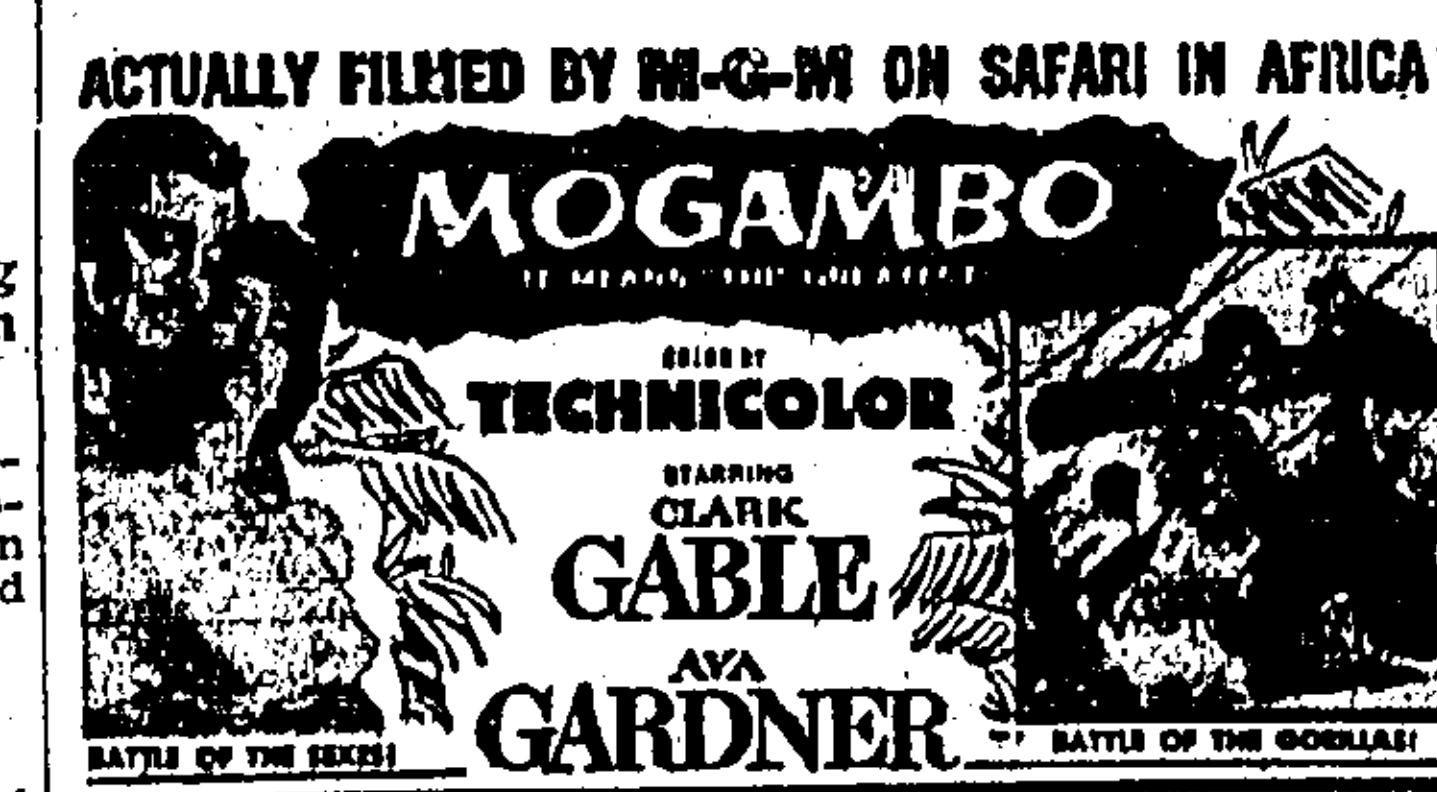
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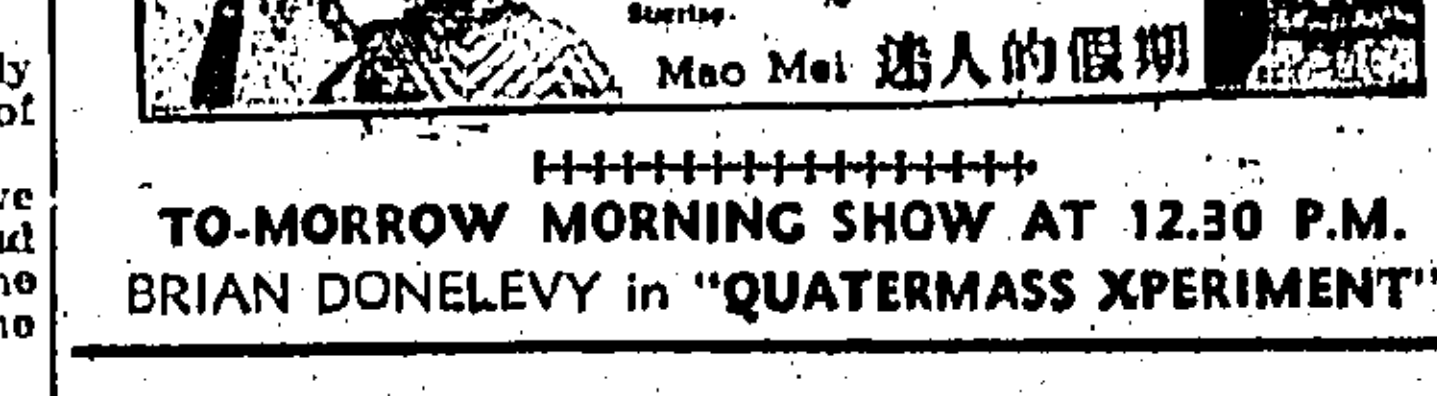
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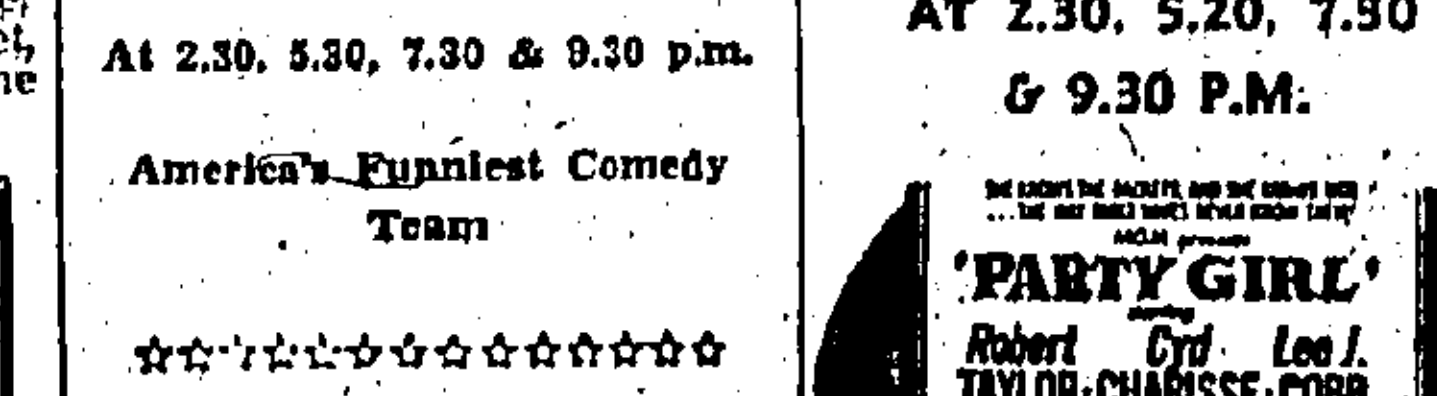
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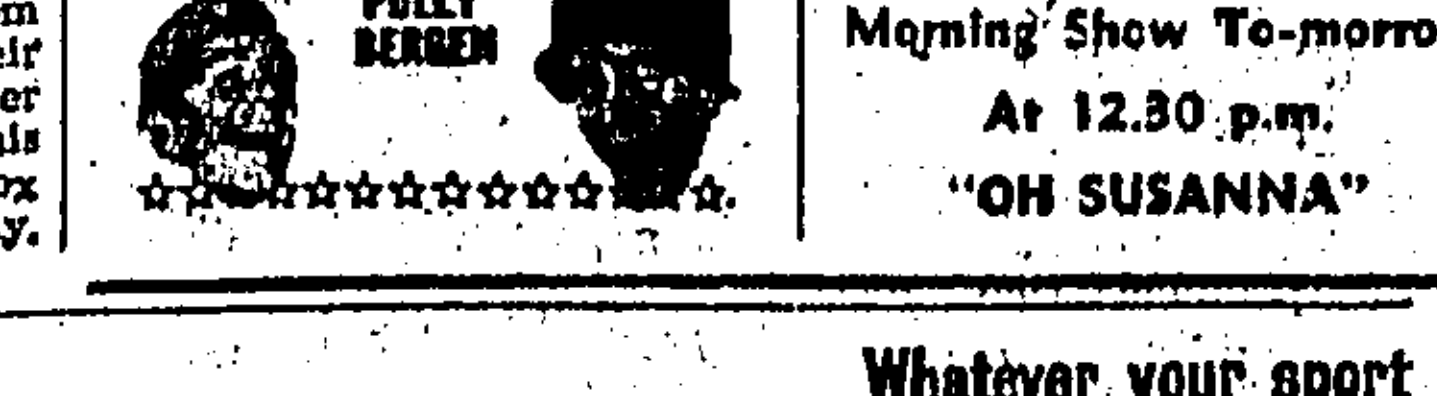
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CAMPANELLA'S SON CITED

New York, Feb. 24. The 15-year-old son of Roy Campanella, paralyzed former baseball star and a leader in the war on juvenile crime, tonight confessed that he participated in a drug-store burglary in which he stole money and cigarettes, police reported.

David Campanella was booked at a police station on the theft charge shortly after he was convicted in a Children's Court of juvenile delinquency for participating in an interracial street gang fight.

Children's Court Judge Wilfred A. Waltemade acquitted three white boys who were involved in the fight and then told David he was free to go home with his mother.

Police took the boy instead to a police station for questioning about the February 14 burglary of a drug-store.

14. Terence Gaffney said David confessed that he and George Delmonico, a white boy, broke a plate glass door to enter the store.—U.P.I.

Paris, Feb. 24. Two Parliamentary by-elections next Sunday and municipal elections the following Sunday should gauge the popularity of General Charles de Gaulle's new French Government. In three constituencies the elections of November 30 were declared invalid, and new elections had to take place.

In the Alsatian constituency of Huningue, the result became known at the first ballot last Sunday.

The Popular Republic (Rassemblement National) Party candidate was again elected, this time with a higher percentage of the total vote, although the total vote, as is usual at by-elections, was much smaller than in November.

In the other two cases, La Rochelle in Western France, and Romans in the Drome Department, the decision will be made at a second ballot next Sunday.

Tough Budget

The elections come three months after the height of the pro-Gaullist wave in November which swept the neo-Gaullist party, the Union for the New Republic, into first position in the new Parliament with 294 deputies out of a total of 576.

They also come two months after the austerity budget, with its cuts in agricultural subsidies, higher prices for tobacco, wine, postage and fares, abolition of certain veterans' pensions, and a fairly sharp rise in short-time as well as in absolute unemployment.—Reuter.

Earth To Moon In 3½ Hours!

Durham, N.C., Feb. 24. The chief of the Army missile programme described tonight a space ship which could make a flight to the moon in three-and-a-half hours and the nearer planets in two days.

Maj.-Gen. John B. Medaris, commander of the Army Ordnance Missile Command in Alabama, discussed the space ship of the future for students and guests at the Duke University School of Engineering.

Speaking of "education for the age of space," General Medaris said the next 10 years would see something other than the present chemical propulsion used in space exploration.

Fantastic

The most fantastic of the conceivable propulsion systems and the only one beyond presently-known techniques involves the production of thrust by the emission of photons, that is, by the emission of light energy," he said.

To illustrate what such a system could do in space exploration, General Medaris said: "A photon-powered space ship should reach the moon in three-and-a-half hours, the nearer planets in two days and would require only three-and-a-half tons of fuel for the long journey."—U.P.I.

Mix-Up

Miami, Feb. 24. The Sheriff's Department here has a good reason for not cracking down on drivers with 1959 licence plates, which expired last Friday.

Because of a mix-up many of the department's own cars still haven't received 1959 plates.—U.P.I.



The Little Man Goes Home—After 35 Years

Seattle, Feb. 24. A man who has spent the last 35 years in prison was put in the hands of three pretty stewardesses on Monday on a flight to freedom.

Guido Grassi, 78-year-old triple slayer, boarded an airliner for London, en route to his native Italy.

Grassi came to America in 1910, almost 50 years ago, to "seek his fortune." Instead, he found misfortune and spent most of his time in American jails. In 1923 Grassi went berserk in an Aberdeen, Washington, hotel. He fatally shot two men and stabbed another to death. The immigrant, who still speaks little English, was found insane, and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Grassi was a "model prisoner" and in recent years spent much of his time tending the prison gardens. He nurtured the hope of spending his few remaining years with his sons in Italy.

Pardon

On February 5, Gov. Albert Rosellini granted the aged man a pardon which culminated several months of efforts by Seattle Attorney Al Bianchi and others who wanted Grassi to see his dream realized. As a necessary step in the pardon, Grassi was found sane last autumn and sentenced to hang.

Gov. Rosellini commuted the sentence and the pardon was granted after new charges brought in the 1923 slayings were dropped.

It would be hard to picture the man who left Seattle as a slayer. Grassi is a bald, little man with deep sunken eyes. He is also a bewildered man, for the world is far different today than when he last was a free man.

He will be met in Rome today by one of his sons, and will journey to the province of Lucca to live with his family.

He can never return to this country except by special permission of the Attorney General, a condition of his pardon. Grassi returns to Italy an old man, virtually penniless, and no longer able to earn the fortune he set out long years ago to find.

But he is going home, after living in the shadow of the gallows.—U.P.I.

Pipers Set New Record

Twenty-four gaily-tartaned pipers and drummers set out from Oldham one midnight this month with their eyes on the 23-mile world marching record held by an Australian band.

Their immediate target: holiday resort Blackpool, 60 miles away. Through the night their pipes and drums were silent, by order of the law, but with the dawn they started playing.

At 34 miles eight had dropped out, and were following by coach. At 37 miles, after 12½ hours and 37 miles, a quiet conference called the rest of the march off. But the record was theirs.

YACHTSMAN HONOURED

London, Feb. 24. Mr. Uffa Fox, sailing champion of the Duke of Edinburgh, was one of more than 170 men and women at a Buckingham Palace investiture today.

"I am very pleased to give you this for services to yachting," Queen Elizabeth told Mr. Fox, investing him with the insignia of a Commander of the Order of the British Empire (C.B.E.).—China Mail Special.

Park TV

London, Feb. 24. The newspaper "The Star" said today the London County Council would be asked on Friday to consider placing 27-inch television sets in city parks as "The only way to get people out into the open air."—U.P.I.

Nightmare

Miss Day reported then that the yacht, which left Cannes last December on a world cruise, had been battered by waves and 110-mile-an-hour winds in a "nightmare" four days.

She added that the yacht escaped injury and no one aboard was hurt.

The previous day, it was reported from Brisbane that shipping off the Australian east coast had been alerted to look for the Shemara.—Reuter.

Gaol Terms Increased For Makarios Slogans

Limassol, Feb. 24.

Four Cypriots were today sentenced to an additional three months' gaol each when they began shouting "Long live Makarios, Digenis and Eoka" from the dock after being given prison terms for rioting.

Mr. Nathaniel Cohen, special court judge, had just sentenced four men and 10 women to prison terms totalling 120 months for taking part in a riot and unlawful assembly at Agirdhia village, southwest Cyprus, last month.

On hearing the sentences, the four men stood up and shouted the Greek national anthem.

Judge Cohen ordered: "Give them more prison. Give them another three months each."

The women in the dock then rose and all prisoners began to sing the Greek national anthem.

Fines

In addition to their gaol sentences the 14 Cypriots were fined a total of £265 sterling or alternative imprisonment totalling 33 months.

The sentences range from six months for the women to 15 months for the men.

With the added three months given to the men their sentences will exceed the period of British rule in Cyprus which is due to end next February at the latest, according to the details of the Cyprus agreement announced last night.—China Mail Special.

MOTORWAY RE-OPENED

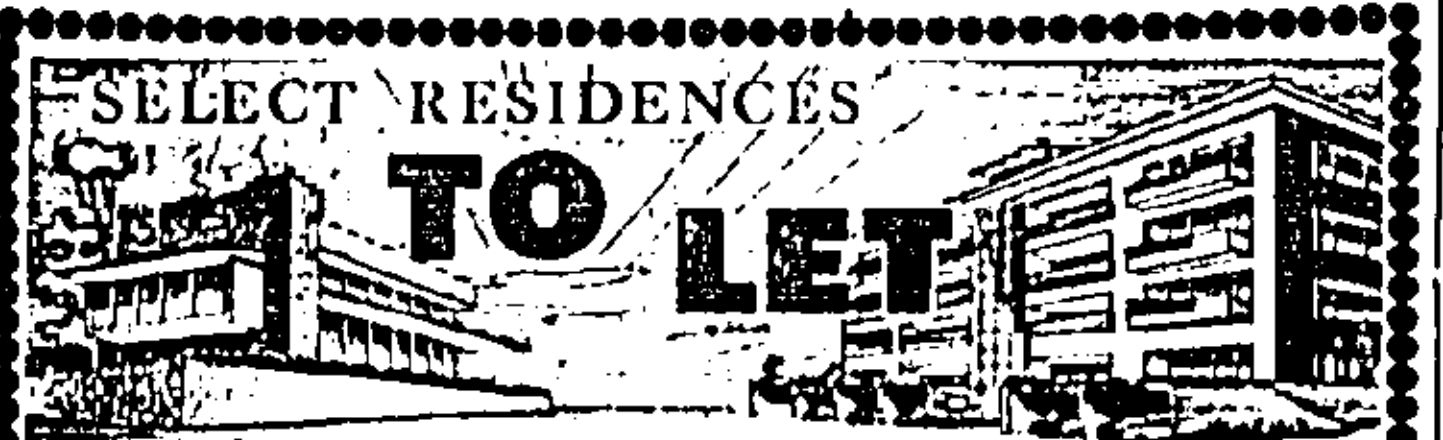
London, Feb. 24. The Preston motorway, Britain's first super highway, was re-opened to traffic today after being closed for five weeks for repairs.

The eight-mile length of road, which cost £4 million sterling, had to be shut seven weeks after it was opened on December 9 because severe cold had damaged the surface.

Several thousand pounds has been spent on repairs to the surface after cracks, ridges and bubbles appeared in it.—China Mail Special.

Returning Soon

London, Feb. 24. Mr. Adnan Menderes, the Turkish Prime Minister, hopes to fly back home within a day or two.—China Mail Special.



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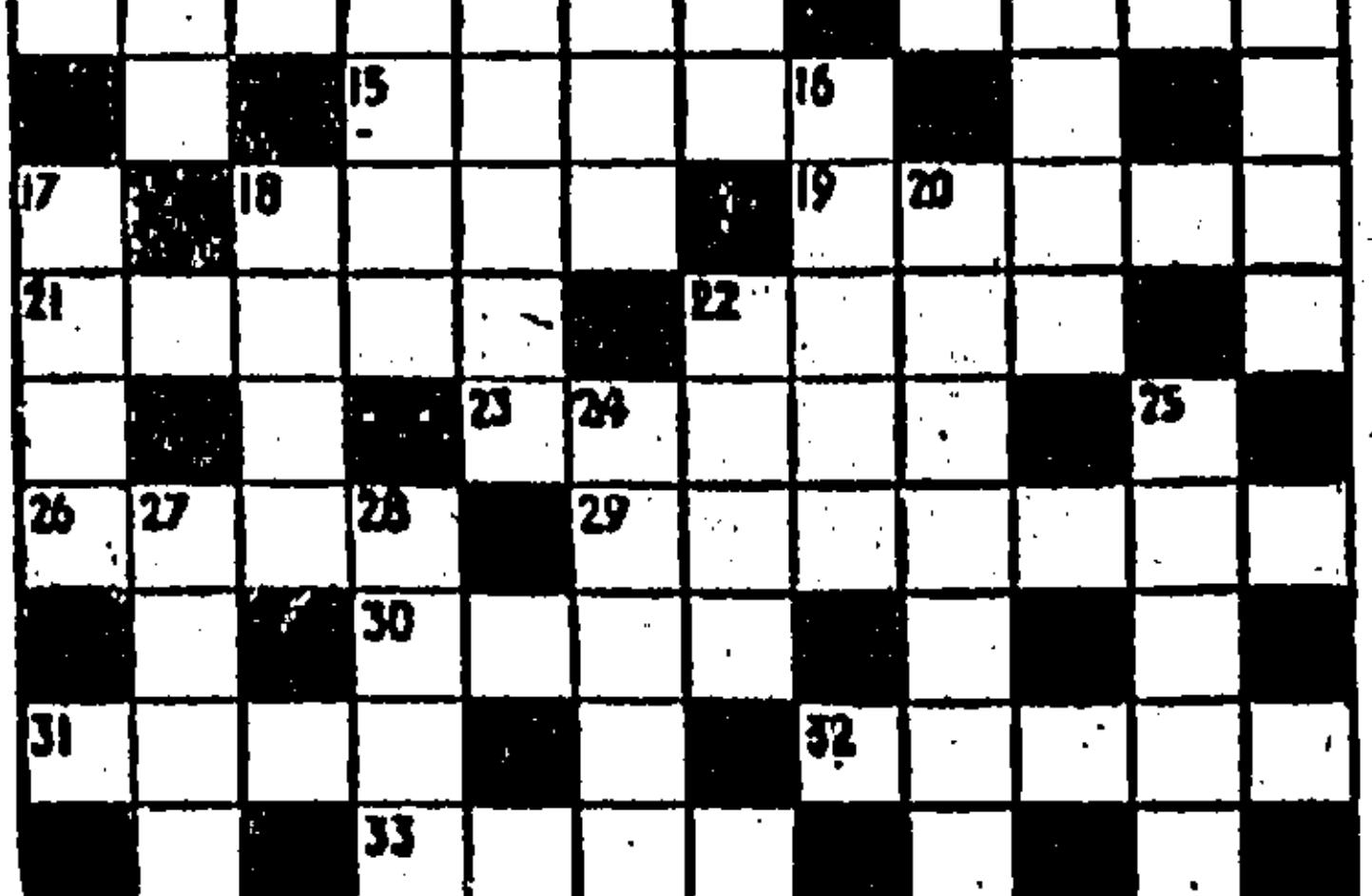
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| ACROSS | DOWN |
| 3 Cultivate (4). | 1 Stuff (5). |
| 7 Mean dwelling (5). | 2 Productive (7). |
| 8 Greedy (4). | 3 Shaking (5). |
| 9 Mast (4). | 5 Planet (4). |
| 10 Disturb (7). | 8 Torrible (4). |
| 12 Musement (4). | 9 Cause (4). |
| 15 Defers (5). | 11 Get up (5). |
| 18 Mistake (4). | 13 Fore (4). |
| 19 Tendency (5). | 14 Pop (4). |
| 21 Weeps (5). | 10 Purlined (5). |
| 22 Idiot (4). | 17 Tart (4). |
| 23 Nobleman (5). | 18 Ancestor (4). |
| 26 Statist (4). | 20 Duty lists (7). |
| 29 Encountering (7). | 22 Worry (4). |
| 30 Tight (4). | 24 Divert (5). |
| 31 Accurate (4). | 25 Indian river (5). |
| 32 Swindle (5). | 27 Tale (4). |
| 33 Sharpen (4). | 28 Slammer (4). |

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Valcic, 7 Fied, 9 Cross, 10 Culms, 11 East, 13 Preserving, 16 Dear, 18 Pair, 19 Dependence, 22 Rues, 24 Pasts, 26 North, 28 Sole, 29 Dracids. Down: 2 Abode, 3 Ensur, 4 Alcove, 5 Splendid, 6 Leas, 8 Image, 12 Tonic, 15 Paper, 14 Stressed, 17 Ideal, 18 Spread, 20 Noble, 21 Ered, 23 Upon.

Maria Visits A Rival



Temperamental prima donna Maria Callas (left) usually makes a point of not watching the performance of other sopranos, particularly when they're singing "Leda di Lammamoor," one of the roles she herself is famous for. But recently she slipped into the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, to listen to Australian soprano Jean Subitane rehearsing the role. And afterwards she went backstage to congratulate her on her performance.

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City of the Rams

EVEN when I first arrived in the Colony, it was quite easy to pay a visit to Canton—City of the Rams. With the passing of years, the old romantic interest of the City declined. As Hongkong became more firmly established and affluent, so the merchant adventurers transferred their interests here.

The multitude of history books will provide the story of the rise of European trade in the Far East and its establishment in the uneasy compounds of Canton.

One hundred and ninety years ago, a young man called William Hickey arrived at Whampoa, having taken only thirty-three days to sail from Madras, the fastest voyage ever made up to that time by an East India man.

Says Hickey: "Whampoa is a factory occupied by the Germans. The Americans (whom the Chinese distinguish by the expressive title of 'second chop') have also a flock. The number of Europeans employed by the English East India Company in the year 1769 was twelve."

If you look at a map, you will see that Hongkong was a small island at the mouth of the Canton River. It was a small island, and the only one of its kind in the region.

The other is called French Island, where the officers and soldiers of the French army were quartered. It was a small island, and the only one of its kind in the region.

The next morning William Hickey, with his officers and soldiers, set off to cover the eighteen miles to Canton where Hickey was to spend the next four months. Here is his vivid first impression of that City, nearly two hundred years ago.

"The view of Canton as you approach it is strikingly grand and at the same time picturesque. The magnitude of the architecture and the always surprise strangers."

"About half-a-mile above the City, in a valley, is a small town, which is a sort of suburb of the City. It is a small town, and the only one of its kind in the region."

"First the Dutch, then the French, the English, the Americans, and last the Danes. Each of these factories, besides admirable banqueting or public rooms for eating etc., have attached to them sets of chambers varying in size according to the establishment."

"The English, being far more numerous than any other nation trading with China, their range of buildings is much more extensive."

"Each Supercargo has four handsome rooms, the public apartments are in front looking to the river. The others, to the rear, are of two or three hundred feet in broad counts, having a set of rooms on each side, every set having a distinct and separate entrance with a small garden and every sort of convenience."

"Besides the factories which belong to the East India Company, there are also others, the property of the Chinese who let them to Europeans and Country Captains of ships. East India Company at Canton. Fifteen years later, in 1831, that caused an incident related by Hickey in his History of Imperial flag flying before a Hongkong."

by
JOHN LUFF

curtain, no altar, and no frankincense? Hickey records it as an incident concerning the then reigning King of England. This is incorrect as George IV had died the year previous to the incident. The princely merchants at Canton did themselves very well. Hunter, in his book, "Fan Kwae," describes the British factory—

"On the left was a library, amply stocked, the librarian of which was Dr. Peterson. On the right, a billiard room. At one extremity of the dining room was a life-size portrait of George IV in royal robes with crown and sceptre, the same that had been taken by the Embassy of Lord Amherst to Peking, offered to him, he was shown into the Select Committee's dining room."

No doubt, brought up with a start at the portrait of King George IV painted while Regent, he enquired whom it represented. On being informed, he took a seat with his back to the picture. The Select Committee, while admiring arrogance in themselves, were quick to resent what they termed an insult in others. The Governor of Canton turned their protests against himself into protests on the British behalf. If they thought so highly of the portrait of the late King, why no imperial age?

"Our sea pilot, having taken the ship into Macao roads, we anchored there to wait for a river pilot."

"I therefore, after dinner, went on shore to this miserable place, where there is a wretched ill-constructed fort belonging to the Portuguese in which I saw a few scow-faced, half-naked and apparently half-starved creatures in old tattered coats, that had once been blue, carrying muskets upon their shoulders, which like the other equipments were of a piece with their dress."

"These wretches were honoured with the title of 'soldiers'."

"Satisfied with what I had seen, and nothing tempted by a printed board indicating the house upon which it was fixed to be the British Hotel, where was to be found 'elegant entertainment and comfortable lodging,' I did not even take a look within."

This rather unflattering picture of Macao, together with the glimpse of the affluent East India Company's factories at Canton, can be linked together with names which represent the romantic side of British trade in the Far East.

Jardine, Matheson & Company have the oldest history of any existing firm in Hongkong, their origin dating from 1782.



Nathan Road in the late nineties with the cool and shady banyan avenue.

Their business was started by Mr. J. H. Cox, but a change is shown in 1787 when the firm becomes Cox and Baine, then to Beale, Reid and Company, in 1793.

1817 sees the firm as Magniac and Company. In 1832, Dr. William Jardine and Mr. James Matheson took control of the business to give the names as we know them today.

The earlier China trade was operated from headquarters in Macao, where Mr. Hollingsworth Magniac had been in charge.

Dr. Jardine, who had been a surgeon of the Honourable East India Company, joined with Mr. Matheson (afterwards Sir James Matheson Bart) to take over the business and extend its influence over the Far East. The link with Canton goes as far back as 1604; one of the firm's subsidiaries was an insurance office operating in that City. Jardine and Matheson transferred to Hongkong from Macao

In 1842 officially, but a Parliamentary enquiry conducted about 1847, gives Mr. Matheson as saying he had already commenced on a site at East Point, anticipating the British takeover.

Shewan, Tomes & Company is another old Canton concern. This firm began as an American business known as Samuel Russell and Company, which commenced operations in 1818.

Moving to Hongkong in the 1850s, it was joined by Mr. Robert Gordon Shewan in 1861 who took it over in 1891.

Gibb, Livingstone and Company also figures among the old Canton firms.

They were established at Canton in 1836 by certain officials of the East India Company, later extending their operations to Macao. The firm's

two Principals, T. A. Gibb, and W. P. Livingstone were in 1843, among the new Colony's first Justices of the Peace.

The firm of Gilman just makes it. They were in Canton in 1841 just before new trading centre. Almost immediately they branched out here.

Richard James Gilman was a tea taster for Dent and Company, but set up with a Mr. Abram Bowman as a trading concern in Canton.

The Canton Insurance Society of Canton is another old concern, but in this brief encounter with names still existing in the Colony, it is only necessary to mention that in 1855 in Canton, a Union formed from some of the firms already mentioned, to undertake the increasing cargoes, when the former monopoly of the East India Company was ended.

The toy soldiers almost got a new recruit

If you really want to astonish a foreigner — take him to the Round Pond or Epsom Downs.

There he will see grown men of the Island Breed wrestling with model boats and airplanes as though the future depended on them.

I had thought that (throwing in model trains for good measure) went as far as it went. Now I have had unwillingly to recognise the existence of another mania — even stranger and more far-reaching than these — which after all can be to some extent excused as a passion for mechanics in miniature. It is toy soldiers.

But you mustn't call them toy soldiers any more. That is one of those solecisms like calling a ship a boat.

They are military miniatures.

Scorn

Come with me into a brittle, exciting world where to confuse a craftsman with a dragon is to earn a chilling scorn that

has sent men into the desert to die. Where they talk of pelisses and czapkas and nigulletes as though they were Tom, Dick and Harry. And tears rush into their manly eyes at the sight of a two-inch figure with every painted button in exact position.

Detail

Commander-in-Chief of the most flourishing of all this flourishing mania turns out to be a cheerful, calm, candid young Glaswegian called Roy Maitland, who keeps a canny eye on the frenzy his miniatures incite in others.

His best figures sell at £25 but you need a microscope to

get the full effect of every detail. They take a week to paint. Ordinary miniatures appraisable by perfect eyesight cost £2 10s.

When I called on him in his tiny office in Bond Street, 150 Indian Cavalry figures had just got in from Mr. They were for French millionaire Andre Mathiot.

"He had his own horse-mould made which he lends to me. He has an idea that they should look like French Cavalry horses. I try that's nonsense, the Indian Cavalry horse was much more like a polo pony."

I knew I had stepped into one of those deep-issues that keep blood pressure and the Post Office going.

I learnt that not only do old soldiers never die — but old battles do not either.

"I got letters all the time from Americans who say that the Confederates should have won the Civil War and explaining why."

A secret

When Mr. Maitland prepared two sets of figures and took them to Paris, one of the retreat from Corunna (when the British were losing) and the other of the retreat from Moscow (when the French were only interested in the retreat from Corunna. "Although the other group was far superior."

To stop Waterloo being fought all over again in his tiny office, Mr. Maitland keeps most of the glass display cases turned to the wall. "I try to show very few figures at a time."

And the whereabouts of his workshop is a dark secret. He did, however, collect them in his tiny office, Mr. Maitland keeps most of the glass display cases turned to the wall. "I try to show very few figures at a time."

There in the typical muddle of gluepots, tea mugs and pin-ups in which the British craftsman seems to work, I met some of the most fulfilled small boys that ever passed the age of 30. "We've just finished Wellington," announced "Johnny" at a tiny detachment of strutting "Jewellies" making and breaking off Wellington after Wellington

in hot shining new lead. (Napoleon, who has sold in thousands, was three years ahead of his conqueror.)

Littered all over his workbench were almost as many figures of the Arab Legion as there actually are in the Arab Legion itself (King Hussein has a full set).

Muskets

At his elbow was a pile of what looked like hairpins, but proved to be a stack of muskets of every known denomination.

You don't just do a job like this, I learned. You've got to be obsessed by it.

"Any skilled hand-painter, however good, won't do. They've got to really care about military history. Even so, it takes them 18 months before they can pass the standards set by Mr. Charles Stoddard, our other partner and Johnny," said Mr. Maitland, uncompromisingly.

"I'll never marry," said Johnny, unrepentantly. "No time." He used to be a civil servant until what used to be a hobby got the better of him.

Real live generals, like General Templer, collect them in hundreds. The Duke of Gloucester, Peter Cushing, One well-known Londoner has £25,000 worth of them in glass cases in his bedroom — they were keeping his name a secret.

And Americans! Why they'd had a letter only this week from an American general who was retiring and wanted to be made a partner.

And one high-ranking American spends every afternoon he can spare in London playing soldiers on the floor of Mr. Maitland's office.

Did I women get this mania? I asked, nervously.

Sneaks in!

"Well, only American women so far. Their husbands get the bug and then they take charge. One American wife has limited her husband to two miniature sentries — they don't know that he sneaks in behind her back and buys more."

I could feel my fingers starting to itch. I kept picking up miniatures after miniatures, with restless curiosity. I found myself gazing with fascination at a tiny detachment of strutting "Jewellies" making and breaking off Wellington after Wellington



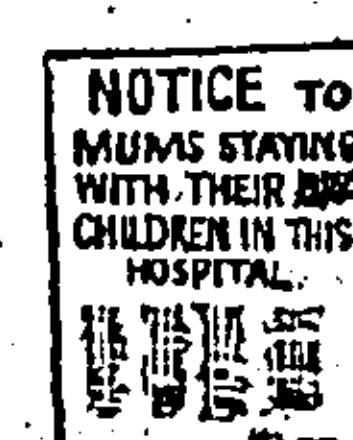
View down Pedder Street extension just after completion of the Central Praya reclamation. Blake Pier had not yet been built.



THE OTHER SIDE By Giles



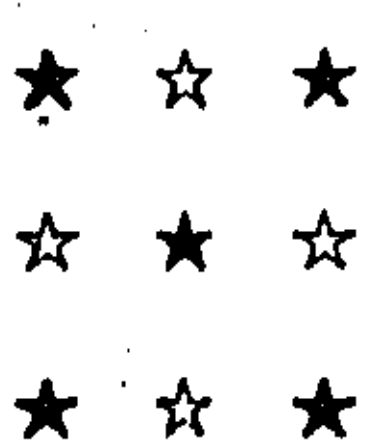
"Your Alfie's medals are certainly very much better since you came in to stay with him, Mrs. B."



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SECRETS OF YOUTH



INTRODUCING A FEMALE POLITICIAN

Taipei, Taiwan.
MRS. Elizabeth Wang Chang is the staff side of free China's only legislative husband-and-wife team.

With her husband, Chang Chiu-yu, she will report for the opening session of free China's parliament. Both were elected in 1948.

"My election wasn't so surprising," Mrs. Chang said, "because the Chinese constitution requires that 10 per cent of the

legislature be composed of women."

Youthful looking at 40, Mrs. Chang is a member of the foreign relations committee of China's legislature.

Her typical day: up early, plan menus and then—foreign relations committee meetings.

Legislatures are paid \$70 a month during the eight months the legislature is in session. Most

solons have to eke out a living by other means as well.

The Changs supplement their income by writing. She writes books, plays and magazine ar-

ticles. He writes about financial and economic affairs.

The Changs live in a six-room house with their three sons, aged 17, 14 and 3 years. The oldest is a student at Chengkung University, an engineering school.

Mrs. Chang's home economy is a far cry from the usual American counterpart. She has two maids. One, primarily a baby-sitter, earns \$12 a month. The other performs household tasks and is paid \$11.50 a month. Taxes on the house are \$2 a month.

The Changs have their own pedicab, a bicycle-driven rickshaw. But when the family wishes to go on an outing to nearby Grass Mountain, they can use a car from the "legislative pool."

Food costs the family about 90 cents a day. Breakfast is rice with water, tea, soybean milk and hot Chinese bread with sesame seed.

Both lunch and dinner are four-course affairs starting with soup. As for entertainment costs, Mrs. Chang said that there are none since both funds and time are lacking.

Mrs. Chang earned her Master's degree in English at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. She also studied at Catholic University in Washington, D. C.

She is a great admirer of the American education system.

Her views on American

women: "They depend too much upon external entertainments and diversions, even though they devote a great deal of time and energy to their families."

THE FURRY LOOK IS TOPS THIS YEAR

IT was the cold, grey day that John Foster Dulles relinquished his duties and John D. Eisenhower took over the "growing risk of another war"—and I, along with some 50 other women, had a luncheon date at one of London's most exclusive hotels.

I arrived late—to find the assembled company "spontaneous."

Big-headed in the current manner with fluffy, great Gossack hats or bouffant curls, pearl-neck and (sincerely) waited, a splendid cross-section of London's fashion elite sat in a horse-shoe around a thick-set man with an American accent and a scarlet waistcoat finished with a row of winking brass buttons.

By his side a large golden blackboard with a velvet border held 23 curiously shaped pieces of white assorted cotton lace and tulle.

They were the component parts of a new miracle bra!

"In the final analysis," said Mr. Elliot as I look my seat—there is one question a woman is bound to ask herself: "What does a bra make do for me?"

The answer—and this is where you off can help—is that it makes them sit better and look better.

Britain is the most uncorseted country in the Western world, but I'm happy to tell you that we anticipate considerable expansion of the foundation-wearing public—the incidence of corset-wearing is going up.

The fur hats nodded happily—the lecture drew to a close and Lady Georgina Coleridge's daughter "who is only 16," was congratulated on assembling the 23 pieces correctly.

Light scarves of mist swirled round me as I left the hotel and walked up Curzon Street.

At the corner a newspaper seller was crying "Dulles Crisis latest."

I stood there reflecting that I could do so little to help the



All you want—in your bag (see Outsize)

situation in Berlin and so much to promote the new miracle brassiere—and I wished with all my heart it were the other way round.

OUTSIZE—in handbags

THE fashion for bigger and yet bigger handbags continues and still they are not big enough to meet the needs of some women.

House management expert Eliza Kendall—one of the most attractive and amusing women I know—is never without an enormous bag.

Once, at Helena Rubenstein's barbecue, I persuaded her to list the contents.

That day they included a pair of low-heeled shoes, a thin cardigan, a plastic mackintosh, a bottle of aspirin, a headscarf, and a large packet of face tissues.

"You see," said Eliza smiling happily—"I do like to be prepared for anything."

"You've forgotten your lightning conductor," said somebody. Pictured here is the bigger-than-big bag—an Italian import by Dorville that was designed primarily for the beach.

At nearly £8 each they are selling like—well, like great, big, useful, everyday handbags—as fast as they arrive in Knightsbridge.

Household Hint

You'll save much time and many steps by keeping a set of cleaning equipment—dust cloths, soap, cleaner, brushes, etc.—on each floor of the house. A basket or carton, painted or plastic-covered and lined with oilcloth or plastic, makes a useful and decorative container for each set.

Hollywood.
IN the rose-tinted reception room of the House of Miracles—a clinic on Sunset Boulevard—I listened to a slim, slightly-built woman with silver-tinted hair proudly tell me her age.

"Sixty-five," she said. "Sixty-five," she repeated.

And there was a warm smile on her smooth, unlined face—for Corn Galenti looks 30 years younger.

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Precious Formula

Grandmother who lived to 104—and didn't look 54 when she died.

"It all started in Palermo," explained Miss Galenti. "My grandmother was noted for her perfect complexion."

"She gave me her precious formula for rejuvenating cream and said, 'Some day, my child, you may want to use it.'"

"The time came when my two servants in Brooklyn, sisters aged 70 and 72, sadly told me they were worried about their looks."

"I tried the rejuvenating formula on them. It worked wonders and took 20 years off their appearance."

"After this, I experimented with the formula and finally developed the lotion which is the basis of my rejuvenating method."

She has used it twice herself. So has her mother—who is 80 and doesn't look 48.

"Normally, the rejuvenation lasts for 15 years," said Miss Galenti.

How is it done? The process requires 21 days at the Galenti clinic under the strictest supervision. And the fee is 2,500 dollars (about £820).

By Michael Ruddy

"In some cases I have done it free," said Miss Galenti. "Today she has 14 clients in her clinic. Two men."

"Of course," she admitted, "not in every case is there complete success. But in most there is."

Lithe and Lovely



Eastman Paton Accents By ALICE ALDEN

THE long, lithe line is wonderful when the right gown wears it. Here is a slim beauty of a dress, sheathed way down over the hips to a box-pleated skirt—not an easy style to wear, to be sure, but certainly striking. It is fashioned of a rich-textured fabric of acetate and silk in vibrant colors, including orange. Style notes include a bateau neckline and a slotted sash that ties at the side above the box-pleated hem section.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ...By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

BORN today, you are essentially an individualist and like to work out your own life in your own way and according to your own plan. You refuse interference and no matter what the opposition, will eventually fight through to what you want most out of life. You are a magnetic personality. You are a good mixer, and make friends wherever you go. You sometimes, however, make the mistake of antagonizing people who do not agree with you at once! Learn to persuade gently rather than to give

order and you will find life is a little easier. You may appear to be a rather calm, easy-going person, you have an indomitable temper and, if pushed around, you will let it fly. You won't let anybody take you for an easy mark just because you can smile and appear to be agreeable most of the time.

You women are romantic and expect your knight to come along, riding on a white horse. You will put the object of your affection on a high pedestal that practically no one can measure up. Don't be too choosy or you may miss out when it comes to marriage—and you would never be happy in single blessedness. You want a home and family of your own.

Among those born on this date are: Charlton Thomas Lewis, advocate of prison reform; Myra Hesse, pianist; Enrico Caruso, tenor; Benedetto Croce, Italian historian and philosopher; Charles C. Pinckney, statesman.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, FEB. 26

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Follow through on something already begun rather than start a new project.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Combine social and business interests satisfactorily. Calculated risks can prove advantageous.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Pay close attention to details which, although minor, can prove significant to your job.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—An exciting new opportunity may be offered, but examine it carefully for possible flaws.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—There is a tendency to overexpand today, but it is wise to be cautious in all important matters.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—This is your day for romance. Set aside other matters and concentrate on the one you love.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Don't go out on a limb and risk your future welfare by making a hasty decision.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—A promising day for profit-taking if you keep your wits about you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Close a deal to your complete satisfaction and make a handsome profit in doing so.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Press projects now in operation, but view carefully all new ideas involving risk.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Resume new plans until later. Consolidate past gains and be satisfied. Be wise!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Some luck and a lot of hard work today can prove the answer. Make good progress now.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"You DID hear frogs croaking, Daddy. Chuck brought me a frog-oat record for our hi-fi and we're reliving our first date!"

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Hand Explains The Ocean

—And Settles An Argument About Where It Is—

By MAX TRELL

THE Celluloid Duck and the Rubber Fish and the Wooden Turtle and Knarf, the Shadow Boy with the Turned About Name, were sitting in the corner of the room with their heads together when Hand, the Shadow Girl, came along.

"Maybe she knows," said the Celluloid Duck.

"I don't think she does," said the Rubber Fish.

"She looks as though she might have been there," said the Wooden Turtle.

"Let's ask her," said Knarf. And he invited his sister to sit down.

Smilingly, Hand sat herself down in the middle of the group.

The Question

"I hope I'll be able to answer the questions you ask me," said Hand. "What do you want to know?"

The Wooden Turtle, who was the oldest, spoke first.

"I've just been for a swim in a wonderful big place," he said.

"I'm sure it must be the biggest ocean in the world."

But Celluloid Duck and Rubber Fish both broke in:

"We've had a swim in a bigger place! Our place is really the biggest ocean in the world!"

"And what I say," said Knarf, "is that they haven't been swimming in the ocean at all—none of them. The ocean is an enormous place—much bigger than this house."

The Argument

"Oh no!" said the Wooden Turtle. "The place where I swam in was the ocean."

"It wasn't!" shouted the Rubber Fish and the Celluloid Duck. "The place we swam in was the ocean!"

Hand made everybody keep quiet.

"Now," she said to the Wooden Turtle, "where is this ocean you took a swim in?"

"It's in the kitchen," said the Wooden Turtle.

"In the kitchen!" Hand exclaimed in astonishment.

"Yes," said the Wooden Turtle. "It's right under the hot-and-cold water taps."

"There, I told you!" said Knarf. "That's not the ocean! It's only the kitchen sink."

"I'm afraid that's what your ocean was," Hand said to the Wooden Turtle, who looked very disappointed. "And now," she said to the Rubber Fish and the Celluloid Duck, "where did you take your swim?"

"In the bathroom," said the Rubber Fish and the Celluloid Duck, both speaking together. "It was wide and deep. The sides were high and white. The water



The Aquarium was just the right size for them.

came spraying down from high over our heads."

"That wasn't the ocean," said Knarf. "That was the bathtub with the shower going."

The Answer

"I'm afraid that's right," said Hand to the Celluloid Duck and the Rubber Fish, who also looked disappointed.

"The ocean couldn't fit in a kitchen sink or in a bathtub or in this house or even in this whole city. The ocean is so big that when you stand on one side of it, you can't see to the other side. It's big enough for great ships to sail on it. Sometimes the waves are like mountains and the water is salty."

"I'm quite sure," she added, as she took the Celluloid Duck and the Rubber Fish and the Wooden Turtle in her hand, "that you wouldn't like the ocean at all."

Then she took them and let them all have a swim on top of the water in the goldfish aquarium.

It was just the right size for three swimmers like the Celluloid Duck, the Rubber Fish and the Wooden Turtle.

Rupert and the Secret Boat—40



As the parrot had said, the little boat indeed moved again and as the waves gradually rose quivering it gets up high speed, flying so fast it can't be seen. Rupert and Gregory, being carried like this a much less time than flying! "It's squawks," "Yes," "All rights arranged."

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TODAY'S QUESTION

Again your partner has raised your one-heart bid to two. 7th time you hold:
♠ A 3 ♣ A Q 7 8 5 ♦ K Q 10 7 ♠ 2
What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow

Erskine Beats Pastrano

CLEAR-CUT POINTS DECISION IN A BLOODLESS BOUT

London, Feb. 24.

Former British Heavyweight champion Joe Erskine beat world fifth ranking heavy-weight, Willie Pastrano of US on points over 10 rounds at Wembley tonight.

The clash between "Willie the Wisp" Pastrano and Welshman Joe Erskine was the ring connoisseur's match—as billed by the fight promoters.

Erskine—who moves faster than most operating middleweights—gained a clear-cut decision

over the American with his long snaking left followed up by precision jabs from his right. It was a fine match for the fans who like their pugilism without bloodshed.

But Pastrano did not look anything like the fighter he used to be. Erskine slipped under Pastrano's attacks like a flyweight and with picked punches accumulated a steady points lead.

Neither boys had a punch which could spell out a knock-out.

Complication

The former British champion, who will further complicate the heavyweight scene over here, for Erskine counts two decisions over reigning champion Henry Cooper. With tonight's decision he will undoubtedly stake his claim to a fight for the British title and even perhaps the world crown.

But gentle Joe does not possess anything yet to frighten either world champion Patterson or his title contender, European Champion Ingemar Johansson of Sweden.—France-Press.

American Bridge Team Lead World Champions

Santa Monica, Calif., Feb. 24. An American bridge team of Western All-Stars today boosted its lead to 10-4 over the Italian world champions at the end of 16 hands in an 80-board contest.

Playing at the Miramar Hotel here, the Americans picked up eight points in eight hands played, following yesterday's first eight-hand round. The big swing came in the 13th hand when the Italians were down two tricks in a bid of six diamonds, while the All-Stars made four-no trump in a bid of three-no trump for a net gain of 800 points, or seven international match points.

Six of the eight hands played on Monday resulted in tie games. Play will be resumed today and will wind up on Wednesday afternoon.—U.P.I.

Canadian Team Called 'Ice Hockey Rowdies'

Donn, Feb. 24. A West German newspaper today described the Belleville Canadians, Canada's representatives for next month's World Ice Hockey Championships as "ice hockey rowdies," who displayed "wild west" tactics.

Commenting on the Canadian team's 7-0 win over West Germany on Sunday, the Bild Zeitung of Hamburg said: "There was not much left of ice hockey. That was catch-as-catch-can on ice, imported from the wild west."

The newspaper said the Canadians were wilder than any European team coming to Europe during recent years. A sizeable police detachment should be kept near the rink wherever they played in Europe, the article added.—Reuter.

SPORTSMEN COME TO THIS EVENT

BRITISH LEGION EARL HAIG FUND BOXING TOURNAMENT
QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM
27th FEB.
(NEXT FRIDAY)

Earl Haig Fund Boxing Tourney On Friday

The top boxers in the Colony will be out in force this Friday, when the Hong-kong Amateur Boxing Association stages its annual Earl Haig Fund tournament at the Queen Elizabeth Stadium, Macpherson Playground. The first bout gets underway at 8.30 p.m.

The Earl Haig tourney has always been a special event with local fight fans, and this year, it promises to be the best yet.

This year's tourney will be no novices affair. Competition is expected to be very keen, so much so in fact that local authorities are convinced that in years to come local enthusiasts will look back on this occasion and

say "Do you remember the Earl Haig Fund boxing tournament in 1959 when..."

Some of the boxers who will be out to do battle in the squared ring on Friday will include Rex Williams (Flyweight runner-up in the recent Colony Championships); Taang Chun-wah (Colony welterweight champion); Henry Wong (1956 Colony Lightweight champion); Pte Jordan (1959 Colony Flyweight champion); Cpl Shepherd (Colony Lightweight champion); Pte Lowe (Colony Lightweight champion); Pte Walsh (Colony Bantamweight champion); Bdr Innes (1958 Colony champion) and Gnr Wicks (1959 Colony Flyweight champion).

CLUB 'A' TAKE ON THE 'ROTOITI' TONIGHT AT RUGBY

By PAK LO

This evening the feature rugby match is scheduled for 7.00 p.m. on the Club ground under the floodlights between Club "A" and the Navy boys from the "Rototi".

This match, one of a series between these two teams, has become a "needle" game, and it is rather a pity that tonight Club will take the field with a much weakened team.

In the first game of the evening at 6.55 p.m. Waylong, still trying to get in plenty of practice before they meet the Club in their annual fixture on March 14, are tonight trying their strength against the Sappers.

The "Rototi" XV have always been noted in every game they have played for their line attacking spirit and their hard running pack. The three line backs for their hard straight running, and the halves have shown that given a chance they can find a way through any defence.

Hard For Club

This is going to make it very hard for Club, who with quite a few calls on them by the Bank, are very much weaker than usual. They have also a few injuries to contend with, and their pack is more a Club "B" pack than an "A" pack.

This will make it doubly hard for Tancock at scrum-half to get the ball away, for the "Rototi" wing forwards will be round on him and harassing him at every turn.

Lochie and McTavish occupy the centre of the three line tonight, and this could be the decisive combination for the Club. If these two can hit it off, there is little to stop them breaking away tonight, for the ground is reasonably firm, and is not too slippery to allow the three to be used to their fullest extent.

Superior

In the first game the Sappers have a good pack, led by Wina, and this alone will give them a definite superiority in the lineouts and the loose.

Although they may be forced to share the scrums, the Bank are depending on Wiggel behind their pack to get the three moving. Wiggel cannot afford tonight to keep the ball tight, and must play an open game, but this will be the Sappers' who sport a very strong attacking three line, which given the ball is certain to score, for the Bank boys have shown that their line can be breached by determined attacks.

Overall, despite their keenness the Bank are up against a team superior in almost every department and the Sappers should win by a comfortable margin.

Irish-Trained Horses Dominate Betting On The Grand National

London, Feb. 24.

Irish-trained horses dominated the betting on the Grand National at the Victoria Club callover here last night. Mr What was made 10 to one favourite to repeat his success of last year.

Only one point behind Mr

What in the betting was another Irish horse, Slippery Serpent, who fell in the Leopardstown Chase on Saturday but had won his previous four races.

Best trained of the names trained horses was Oxo at 100 to seven. Then came Nic Atkins, another Irish candidate and Wynchburg, both on the 100 to six mark.

Joint Favourites

There were no strong market leads in the Lincoln betting and Marshal Pitt and Midlander, two well fancied failures for last year's Cambridgeshire were made joint favourites at 100 to six.

Chief Darker, fourth in last year's race, is a 20 to one chance, together with Offspring and Mediation. They were followed by a group of seven on the 22 to one mark.

Following were the Prices on the Lincolnshire Handicap (one mile), the Grand National (Steeple-chase (four miles 680

yards), the Champion Hurdle and the Cheltenham Gold Cup.

LINCOLNSHIRE
100-1 Marshal Pitt and Midlander; 20-1 Mediation; Offspring; and Chief Darker; 22-1 Chou Chin Chow, Dumbuster, Pinny, Precious Heather, Radlopye, Statfold and Who You; 25-1 Ames, Canterbury, Bloom, Chalk Street, Chino, Court Feathers, El Gaucho, Master Nicky and Master of Boyden.

GRAND NATIONAL
10-1 Mr What; 100-9 Slippery Serpent; 100-7 Oxo; 150-6 Nic Atkins; and Wynchburg; 10-1 Bolsward; 20-1 Done Up, Green Drill and Tibereita; 25-1 Brunel, Cannoble Lee, John Jacques, Kerstin, Mr Gray, Oscar Wilde, Turmoil and Volant Spark.

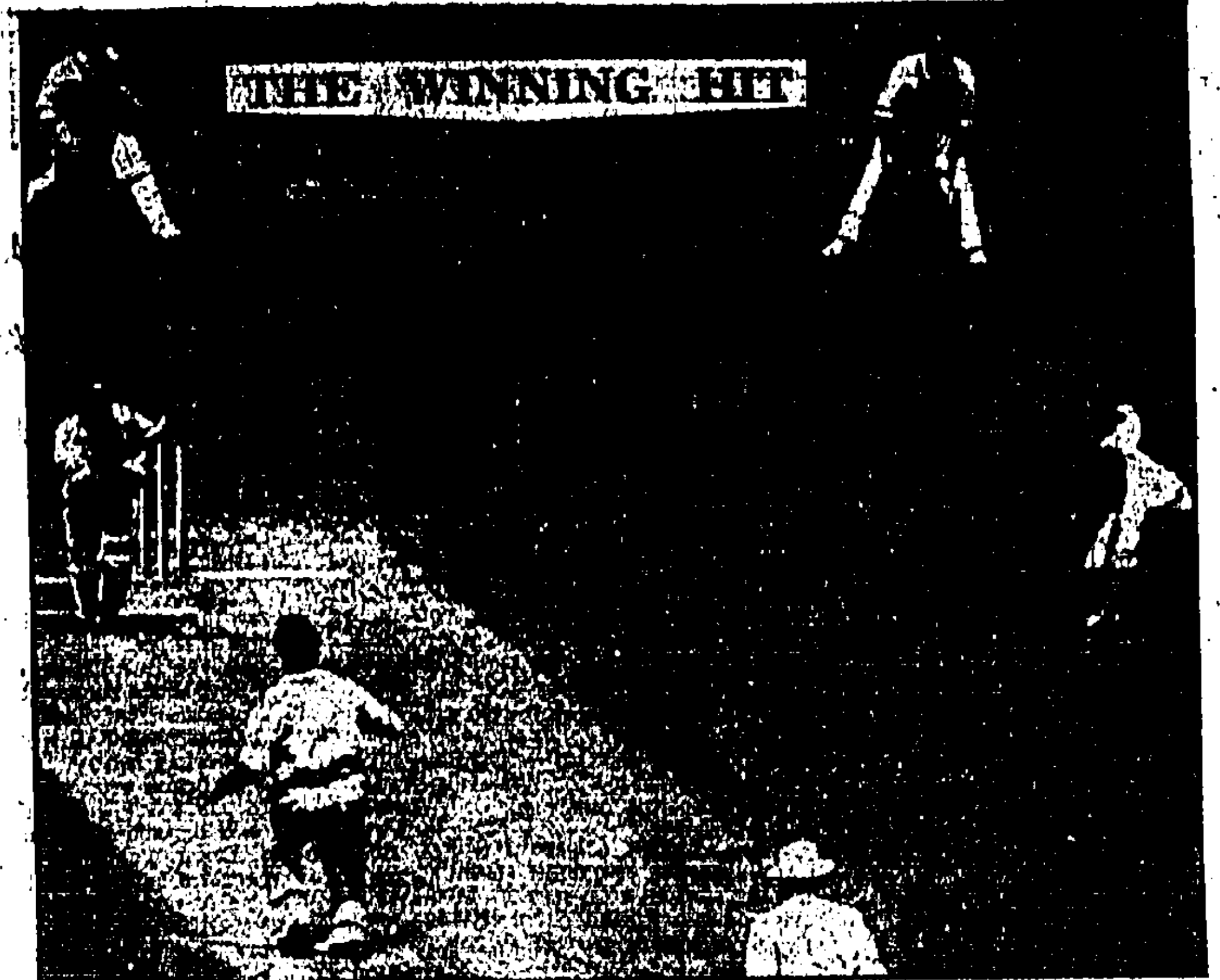
CHAMPION HURDLE
3-1 Tokoroa; 4-1 Fare Time; 6-1 Releur De Flamm; 7-1 Friendly Boy; 8-1 Prudent King; 100-3 King, and Merry Deal; 20-1 Bandalore, Havas-

nack and Le Bel; 33-1 and upwards, others.

CHELTENHAM GOLD CUP
2-1 Saffron Tartan; 5-1 Roddy Owen and Taidemist; 7-1 Nepp; 8-1 Kerstin; 100-7 Linwell and Leorch; 25-1 Caesars Helm, Pas Seul and Falem Royal; 33-1 and upwards, others.—Reuter.

No Monza 500 Miles Race This Year

Monza, Feb. 24. The Milan Automobile Club today decided not to organise the 1959 Monza 500 miles event. The decision was taken following the adoption of a new regulation by the International Sports Commission which will reduce formula one engine ratings from 2,500 cc to 1,500 cc in 1961.—France-Press.



Colin McDonald hits Trueman to leg for two and Australia have won the last and final Test match against England by nine wickets.

Billy Steel To Stand Trial For Multiple Charges

Los Angeles, Feb. 24. Soccer star Billy Steel, currently playing for the Los Angeles All-Stars and a long-time Scottish hero at the game, pleaded innocent today to charges of misdemeanor, drunken driving and failure to stop after an accident.

The charges were filed against the 27-year-old North Hollywood resident after an earlier hit-run count was dismissed. The district attorney's office did not issue a complaint on the felony charge.

ARRESTED

Judge Steven Wiseman ordered Steel held for trial on March 18. He will remain free on \$203 bail pending trial.

Steel was arrested after police said his car collided with a taxi cab a week ago. Witnesses said Steel left the scene of the accident.

The day before the accident Steel had paced Los Angeles All-Stars to a surprise 4-4 tie with a touring Zurich soccer team.—U.P.I.

Sweden Not Taking Part In Olympic Games Football

Stockholm, Feb. 24.

Sweden, Olympic champions in 1948 and runners-up in the World Cup last year, is not among the record entry of 38 countries for the Olympic Games football tournament in Rome next year.

The reasons, according to Mr. H. Bergerus, secretary-general of the Swedish Football Federation, are that Sweden does not regard the Olympic tournament as the world's top soccer event and that the status of her players might be questioned.

"According to the strict interpretation of the Olympic amateur rules a query might be raised as to whether the Swedes were amateurs or not," said Mr. Bergerus.

"The players do, or may, in fact, get a little money, the amount depending upon the financial status of their clubs. We therefore consider it better not to enter a team."

Swedish soccer players may get anything between 50 crowns (about £3-9s. sterling) and 100 crowns (£6 18s sterling) per match.

After their 1948 triumph Sweden won the bronze medal in the 1952 games in Helsinki but did not enter a soccer team for the 1956 Games in Melbourne.—Reuter.

MCC Net £12,000 More On Australian Tour

Dunedin, Feb. 24. Receipts for the Australian section of the MCC's Australian tour showed an increase of more than £12,000 sterling over the 1954-55 tour.

The total figure, announced today, was £2,493,101 (£2,493,101 sterling) as against £1,273,560 (£80,404 sterling) for the previous tour.

Attendances totalled 1,128,744, compared with 1,108,913 in 1954-55. Profit from the complete tour is expected to be in the region of £22,000 sterling. This figure would have been higher but for the flying out of reinforcements John Mortimer and Ted Dexter which increased expenses considerably.

Attendances for the five Tests in Australia were: Brisbane—76,954; Melbourne—230,949; Sydney—172,959; Adelaide—160,650; Melbourne—134,297.

Complimentary tickets and members' tickets for all matches totalled 312,746.—China Mail Special.

TERRY DOWNES SUFFERS 2ND SUCCESSIVE DEFEAT

London, Feb. 24.

France's Michel Dlouf, 27-year-old National Middle-weight title contender, tonight beat British champion Terry Downes when the referee stopped the fight at the end of the fifth round. The non-title combat was scheduled to go 10 rounds.

Downes—the hope of British pugilism for world supremacy—stumbled to his corner after the fifth round with his left eyebrow streaming blood.

Referee Jack Hart inspected the wound and expected called off further combat.

EYE OPENED UP
Dlouf shook the British hope with his opening blows—two right swings. Downes' eye opened up immediately and continued to pour blood despite the frantic efforts of his corner.

The coloured boy worked viciously on the eye throughout the fight. But Downes blinking back the blood took the fight back to Dlouf with a series of well-placed jabs. But the French fighter took his punishment apparently without flinching.

SENT TO CANVAS
In the third round a right hook sent Downes to the canvas for a count of one. Downes fought bravely on, but his martyrdom under the two-listed onslaught of Dlouf left referee Hart no other alternative but to stop the fight.

This was the British hope's second successive defeat. American Split Webb decided him recently. "New Downes looks like joining the long list of British pugilists who never quite made it."—France-Press.

NON-WHITES NOT BARRED FROM S. AFRICA OLYMPIC TEAM SAYS PRESIDENT

Johannesburg, Feb. 24.

Non-white sportsmen who warrant selection for the Olympic Games will have every opportunity to compete in the South African team, it was understood from a statement made today by Reg Honey, President of the South African Olympic and Commonwealth Games Association.

Honey said: "If there were any really worthwhile non-white athletes, I think the Olympic Council would see to it that they competed in the games."

Commenting on a report that colour bar problems will be discussed at the forthcoming international Olympic Committee's meeting at Munich on May 25, Honey said: "The South African Olympic Association as such has no colour bar. As far as I know there would be nothing to prevent a non-white competing at an Olympic or Empire Games."

"At present I know none who would merit selection. I think I am voicing opinion of all of us when I say we will do everything to help them compete." The overtones of team selection and management would not be unmountable if sports bodies tackled the matter in the right way."—France-Press.

English Soccer Results

London, Feb. 24. Results of tonight's English football matches were:

LEAGUE ONE
(Postponed from February 14)
Arsenal 1 Leeds United 0

LEAGUE TWO
Bristol C. 1 Grimsby T. 0

LEAGUE THREE
(Postponed from January 17)
Doncaster R. 2 Reading 5
—Reuter.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Athletics
Hongkong Police Sports Association annual athletic meeting, Boundary Street, 1 p.m.

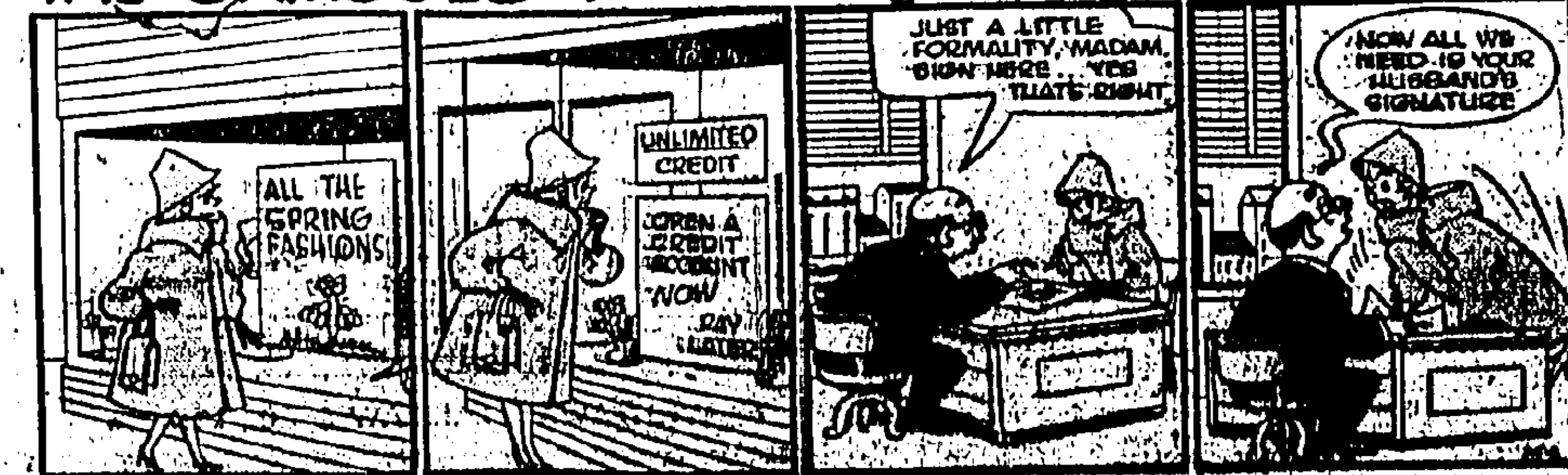
Golf
Gun Club Hill School Sports, Boundary Street, 2.15 p.m.

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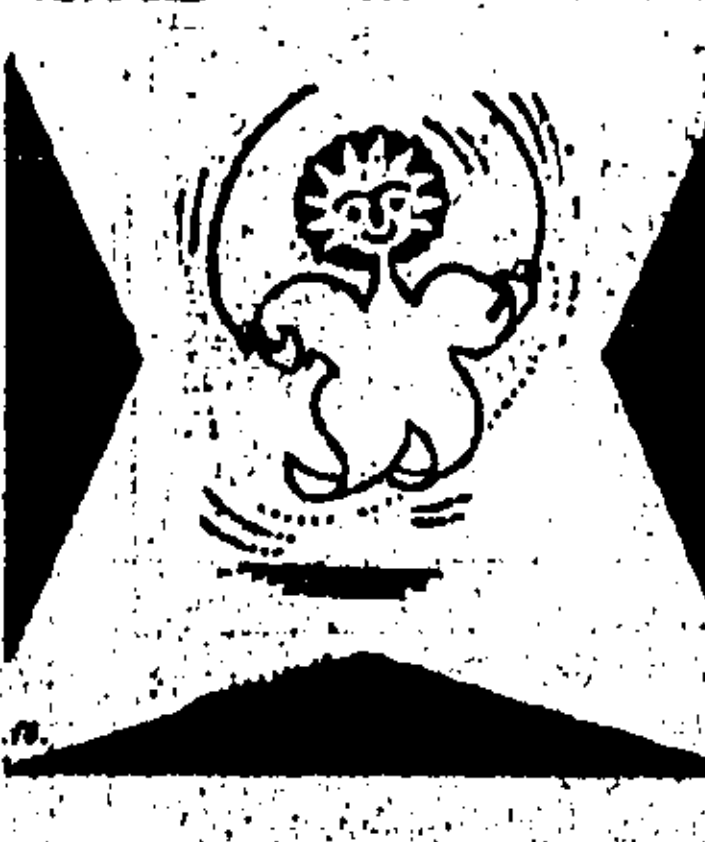
Badminton
Entries close for the Hongkong Badminton Senior Challenge Cup.
Golf
Ladies Section, Chaiyapong Competition, Fanning.

THE GAMBOLS

By Barry Appleby



GAS FOR JOY



SPORTS PICTORIAL



Main highlight of the week's sports activities was the second International 30,000 metres race organised by the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Association at the South China stadium last Sunday.

A record success was achieved by the Japanese contingent of four runners who among them monopolised the first four places. Photo shows the winners (front row from left to right) Kuzumi Watanabe (third), Takashi Nakayama (fourth), Saburo Yokomizo (second) and Takashi Baba (first) and their team officials.—China Mail Photo.



Despite adverse weather conditions, the two-day Rifle Meeting of the Hongkong Defence Force was successfully concluded last Sunday.

Above photo shows members of the Hongkong Regiment, winners of the Commando Cup together with the trophies won in the meeting.

In the lower photo CSM P. George, winner of the Sheriff Cup (for FO's and Sgts) is seen receiving his prize from Mrs L. T. Ride wife of Brigadier Ride, Commandant of HKRF.—China Mail Photo.



Bolton Wanderers captain Nat Lofthouse (right) and club manager Bill Ridding carefully pack the FA Cup at Burnden Park ground, Bolton, Lancashire, for its return to FA headquarters in London.

Like all connected with the Bolton club and their many supporters, Lofthouse and Ridding hope it's just 'au revoir' and not good-bye.

Bolton on Monday beat Preston North End 1-0 in a fifth round replay to qualify for their quarter-final match against Notts Forest.—Reuterphoto.

★ ★ ★
RIGHT: Colony squash runner-up Fl/Lt David Thornton congratulating the champion Captain John Booth after the prize-presentation at Victoria Barracks last Thursday. Booth won a hard-fought final by 7-9, 4-9, 9-1, 9-6, 9-5.
★ ★ ★



The Hongkong Amateur Sports Federation and Olympic Committee held the first of its annual series of three sports festivals at the Southern Playground last Sunday, with a series of exhibition matches in the various indoor sports.

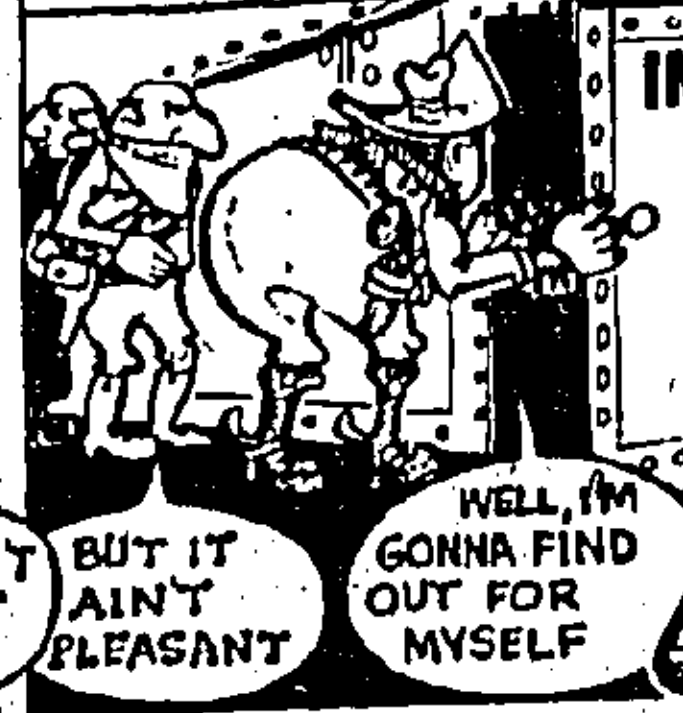
Photo shows Hon. Kwok Chun being introduced to Miss Helen Kwong the Colony ladies' triple badminton and lawn bowls champion, one of the participants in the night's proceedings. Mr A. L. Nery, chairman of the organisation committee looks on.—China Mail Photo.

FOUR D. JONES . . .

OUTSIDE ROOM 101 JONES HAS SECOND THOUGHTS...



BUT CURIOSITY GETS THE BETTER OF FOUR D. JONES.



HOW RIGHT HE WAS...



by MADDOCKS

AND WITH A SLAM OF THE DOOR... HE WAS GONE.



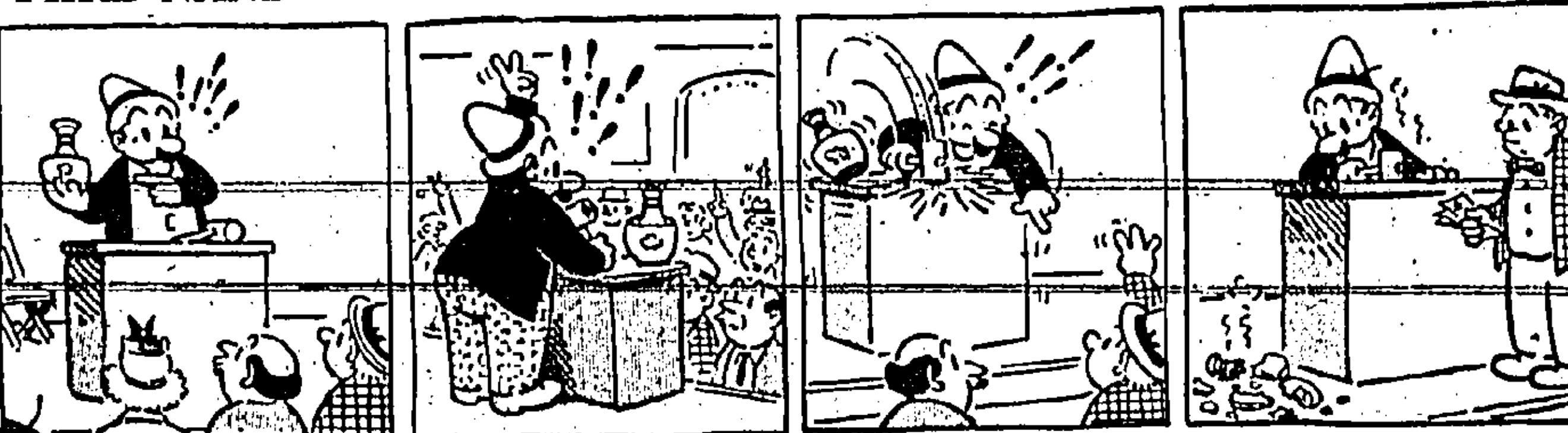
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NEW BALANCE WITH ESCUWIM



FERD'NAND

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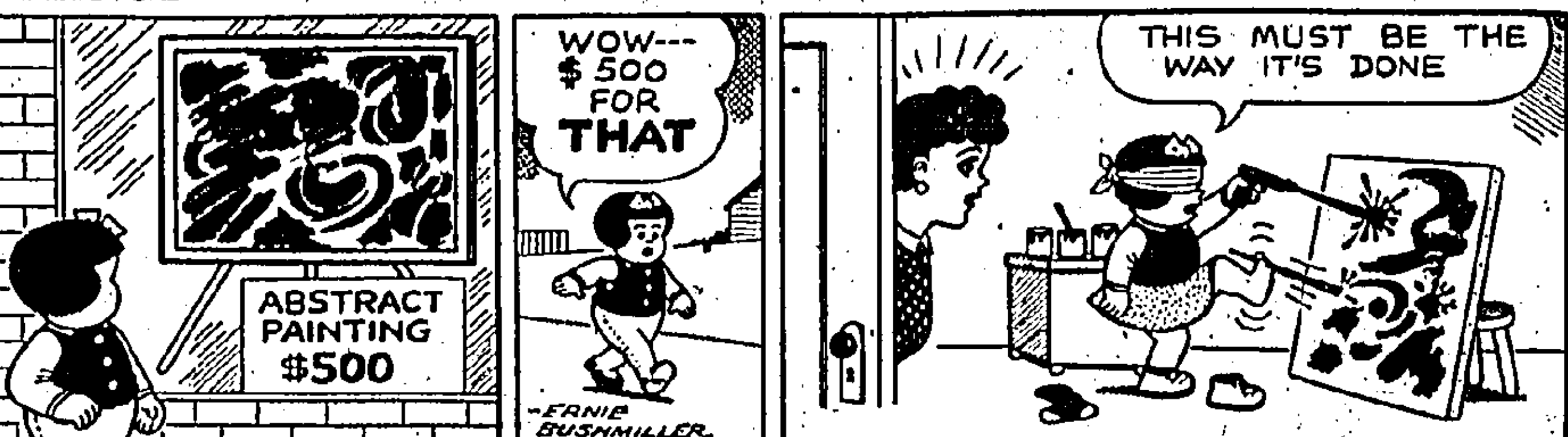


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NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller

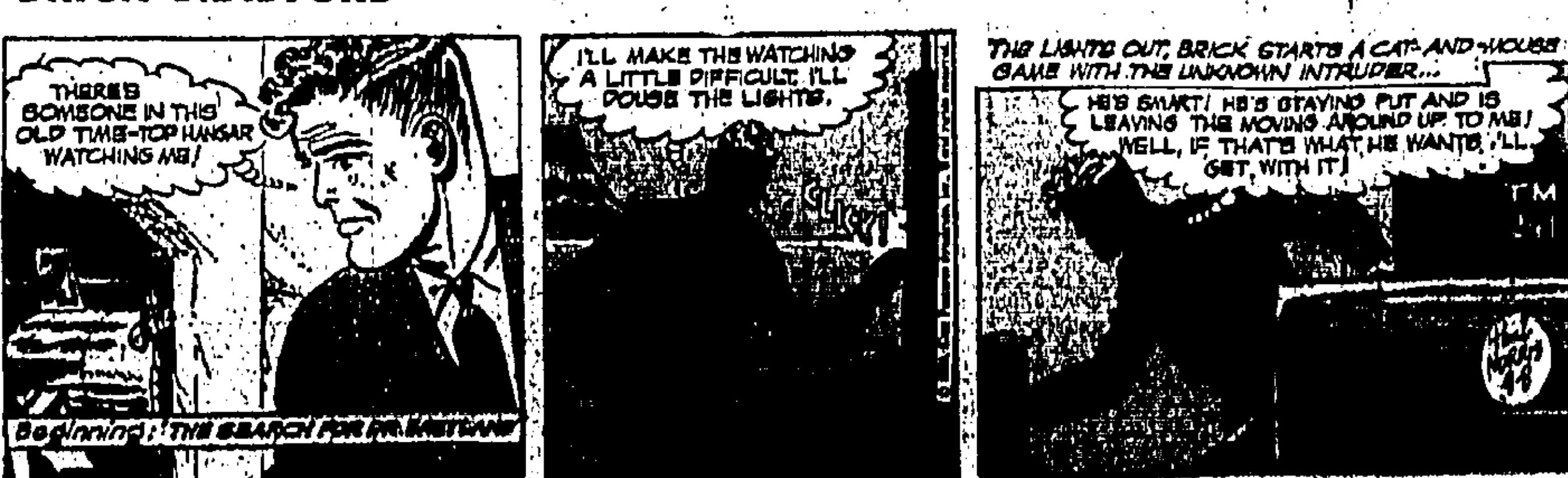


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By Paul Norris



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INDUSTRY TAKES THE LEAD

Judge Orders Counsel To Withdraw Remark

Mr Justice A. D. Scholes in the Supreme Court this morning ordered the withdrawal of a remark by Counsel representing the Everett Steamship Corporation about a motorman formerly employed by the company.

The Judge upheld a protest and objection raised by Mr. Oswald Cheung, appearing for Cheng Hsueh-kwong, ex-motorman No. 1 of the m.s. Bradeverett.

Mr. Victor Gittins, representing the company, had observed that his client did not hold Cheng "above suspicion" in connection with the seizure of a number of gold bars on board the vessel by Burmese authorities last September.

Cheung, who had been dismissed from the ship with some others, is suing the company for the return of \$20,000 which he had paid as cash guarantee upon employment.

The defence states that there was a three-day delay of the Bradeverett at Chittagong by customs men in September resulting from the gold seizure, and that the company had suffered a loss amounting to \$100,000.

The defence claims that under the terms of the guarantee document signed by Cheng, the company were entitled to set off this loss against the \$20,000 plaintiff had deposited.

Today, Mr. Gittins dealt with the details of the guarantee document while putting forward the defence case.

Technical College Head Back

Mr S. J. G. Burt, Principal of Technical College, returned with his wife and daughter in the Italian liner Asia this morning from Europe after a holiday in the United Kingdom.

During his leave, Mr. Burt attended the Oxford conference on technical education in the colonies and the International seminar at Birmingham on technological education.

He also visited all former students from the college at work there. He said that the students, most of them employed in the technical field, were well and successful.

tection against any detention or delay caused to the vessel by customs authorities as a result of any malpractices on board, real or suspected.

Mr. Gittins submitted that the absence of any claim by the plaintiff for some five months after his dismissal was in itself some evidence that he appreciated his liability, "even though there was no direct evidence against him."

At this point, Mr. Cheung told the Court that he wanted to make it clear that there was no evidence at all, direct or indirect, against his client, to connect him with the gold found on the ship.

HAD CONTROL
Mr. Gittins said that although there was no direct evidence, the gold was found in a part of the ship over which plaintiff had control or access.

Mr. Cheung said that the defence case on the pleadings was that the plaintiff was liable through no default of his own or members of his department on the vessel.

No charge of fraud or dishonest activity of any kind was made, he continued, "and I object to any further suggestions which throw the slightest shadow of dishonesty across my client's name."

Mr. Gittins said, "No allegation was made because there was no direct evidence, but I think that the case for the company is clear indication that they don't hold the plaintiff above suspicion."

PROTEST
Mr. Cheung: "I must protest and I ask that that remark be withdrawn. Either a charge of fraud or dishonesty is specifically made and if such a charge is going to be made, it should have been months ago before the pleadings were framed."

That not having been done, these suggestions must not be made in open Court, or indeed anywhere else.

Mr. Gittins conceded that he was making no specific allegations, but pointed out to paragraph 3 of the statement of defence, concerning the discovery of 13 gold bars from the quartermaster's cabin.

His Lordship ruled that the sentence regarding suspicion of the plaintiff be withdrawn. This was done accordingly.

Hearing is proceeding. Mr. Cheung is instructed by Mr. A. Y. Hon for the plaintiff.

Mr. G. W. Wilkinson and Grist, is instructing Mr. Gittins.

Children Injured In Traffic Accidents

An eleven-year-old girl, Chow Chiu-yu of No. 200 Tung Choi Street, first floor, was knocked down and injured by a private car in Nathan Road near its junction with Mongkok Road last night.

Two other children were injured in traffic accidents yesterday.

They were: Chan Chiu-fu, an eight-year-old boy of No. 561, Shanghai Street, second floor, who was knocked down by a private car near his home, and Leung Man-chi, an eleven-year-old girl of No. 476 Cheung Road, sixth floor, who was hit by a bicycle in Ma Tau Wei Road.

All three children are receiving treatment at Kowloon Hospital.

ARMED ROBBERY
A man, armed with a knife, held up and robbed a Chinese of a sum of money at the Fuk Shing Cotton Yarn Shop, No. 1, Apple Street, ground floor, Shamshui, yesterday afternoon.

A suspect was subsequently arrested.

BRITONS SMOKE MORE & MORE
London, Feb. 24.

Figures given by the British tobacco manufacturers show that cigarette smoking increased in Britain by one-fifth between 1951 and 1958, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade said today.

Cold Spell Continues
According to the Royal Observatory, there is no indication at present that the weather will warm up.

Cold weather is forecast for tomorrow, accompanied by light drizzle but as to how long the current cold spell will last, the spokesman could not say.

He did add, however, that there is no indication of temperatures falling any lower.

The minimum temperature recorded at 8 a.m. today was 52.2 deg. F. Yesterday's minimum was 51.7 deg. F. The maximum yesterday was 57.8 and it is expected to be around about the same today.

From midnight to mid-day today, .01 inch of rainfall has been recorded.

Fire Brigade Officer Back
Mr. Alfred E. Wood, returned with his wife and daughter in the m.v. Asia this morning from Europe after leave in the United Kingdom.

Mr. Wood is now Acting Divisional Officer, Kowloon Fire Station.

Money Pours In For Deaf Boy Artist

By COLIN RICKARDS

London, Feb. 25.
Young Lee Man-sung's £5 prize for his painting has dwindled into insignificance beside the money that is now pouring in for this small deaf Hongkong boy and his school mates.

First there was the magnificent gesture of Mr. John Koon, 32-year-old bachelor proprietor of a London Chinese restaurant for £700 to enable Lee and his teacher Miss Li Luik-wah to come to London to collect the prize.

THE POODLE
Then the waiters in Mr. Koon's biggest restaurant clubbed together to present him with a tiny poodle named Ling Fa (Lotus) as he stepped off the plane.

And when the Chinese community in London heard he was coming, they opened a fund for him.

Well over £100 has been collected and it is hoped this will be doubled before the fund closes at the weekend.

Lee has indicated that he wants the money to be used to buy a deaf children's speech primer for use at the school.

LEFT OVER
"But as this will cost only about £100 there will be a bit left over for him," Mr. Koon determined that Lee should not go back to Hongkong without a deaf aid.

"His family could not afford to give him one," Miss Li said, "but it would help him enormously."

When Mr. Koon plans to visit Lee at his uncle's home, Miss Li has not been idle on the trip—her second to Britain—for she has already visited several institutions and schools for deaf children.

NEW METHODS
"I've been able to see a number of new teaching methods in use over here," she told me. "And before I return on March 5, I hope to see a lot more."

"That way I feel that I am making the best use of Mr. Koon's kind gesture in bringing us here," Express Service.

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Goldfish Dying In Colony
Some Colony goldfish breeders have complained that their fish have been dying during the past month.

Two theories have been advanced by breeders. One is the appearance of black spots, presumably a fungus, and the other the effect of the cold weather.

A spokesman for the Fisheries Research Unit of Hongkong University said that if the fungus is the cause of death this might be averted by placing the fish in slightly warm water and adding some salt.

He added: "It would have to be a very severe drop as goldfish are very tough."

Local Products Now More Than Entrepot In Export Trade

By A China Mail Reporter
Industry has taken over from trade as the main economic function of Hongkong. The 1958 Annual Report, released yesterday, makes this clear.

It states that there are today more people employed in industry than in trade.

The number of persons directly or indirectly dependent on industry is estimated to be about 1.4 million or 50 per cent of the total population (which the Report now estimates as 2,800,000).

EMPLOYMENT
The rising industrial potential is also reflected in the increase in the value of products wholly or principally of local origin. In 1952, this ratio was 25 per cent. Last year it was 42.2 per cent. And in the January, 1959, trade figures, it was more than 60 per cent.

Employment figures also point to the boom in industry. In 1958 almost 180,000 were employed in 4,000 industrial undertakings. In 1957, 163,000 were employed in 3,373 undertakings.

The report continues: "This is however far from the complete picture of industrial employment."

"It is estimated that there are more than 150,000 people working in unregistered, small-scale and cottage and handicraft industries, as outworkers and in the underemployed industrial fringe."

"A further 120,000 are employed in building and engineering construction, 64,000 in the fishing industry, and 21,000 in public transport."

The majority of our factories—60 per cent—are small.

COMMUNICATIONS WITH AIRPORT CUT
All telephone communications with Kai Tak Airport and the R.A.F. Station were cut this morning.

The cause is not known but it is thought that a tractor may have damaged the cables.

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THE theory that a young British sailor from HMS Whitshed, had committed suicide is discounted by the latest action on the part of local naval authorities.

Yesterday morning a warrant was issued for his arrest, on a charge of desertion. The man, named Bain, was last seen aboard the ship at 7 a.m. when he went off duty.

Companions of the missing man said they had heard a splash at 8 a.m. and a search revealed that one of the ship's buckets had disappeared.

Divers who were sent down to retrieve a case of ammunition which had earlier fallen overboard from another ship alongside HMS Whitshed, discovered the missing bucket with Bain's belt attached to it and this gave rise to the suicide theory.

CLASPED in each other's arms, Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Philippson, parents of Miss William Grooch who recently crashed to death with her two children from a Shanghai apartment-house roof, were found dead in their New York home today.

A letter telling of their suicide post was found on a table in the bedroom. "We can't stand the pain any longer—Emil," it read.

Neighbours, who were close friends of the couple told the police that their death was due to their grief over the tragic end of their daughter and two grandchildren in Shanghai. Mr. William Grooch was a CNAO pilot.

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